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## THE PAST AND THE COMING YEAR.

A year ago we were turning our backs upon a period of horror and sadness, scarred deep by the tragedy of war, and looking forward to brighter days of returning prosperity and happier conditions of life for the nation. The hopes that we, as a people, cherished on the threshold of 1919, have by no means all been fulfilled, and the future is looming large with difficulties. Despite this, however, there is much to give encouragement in the Ringing Exercise in the revival that has taken place in the last twelve months. Those organisations which, through the war, had allowed their energies very largely to lapse, have put their machinery into working order again with commendable promptitude, while those who, despite all the handicap, did their best to carry on, have reaped a reward from the very satisfactory manner in which they have gone forward since the return of peace.

Much more quickly than one expected, the bell-founding industry has been getting back into its stride, and the activity of the principal firms must be gratifying to every ringer. Peace bells have given an impetus to the industry which had come largely to a standstill during the war, and the revival of bell work gives every promise of going forward in the coming year at an increasing rate. There is a double, or shall we say a triple advantage in this. Not only does it keep the foundries engaged, and provide ringers with additional peals of bells upon which to practise their art, but it spreads interest in bells among the public, which is all to the good.

Of the recovery in the Exercise itself, our columns have provided ample evidence, and the ever-increasing demands upon our limited space are a source of serious concern. In the coming year we may safely anticipate, among other signs of the revival, a considerable increase in the peals rung, as well as a larger number of meetings being held, for most of the men who have been spared to return are now back in the towers, and have taken up the art with a new zest. Ringing promises to come into its own again quicker than most people expected, and interest will grow as the practice of ringing expands. Ringers, we know, will look to their journal to keep them posted in the doings of the Exercise, as in the past, but we hope they will, at the same time, realise the difficulties which face us in trying to meet the increasing requirements of the times. To maintain the "Ringing World" in the face of the rising cost of production it is necessary to go with the greatest caution, reckless development might, and probably would, end in disaster. It may be disappointing to many to find that paragraphs in which they are interested do not

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always appear, but they may rest assured that it is not because they have been singled out for omission, and we hope they will believe us when we say that we endeavour to do the best we can for all, having in view the general interest of the great body of the Exercise. The real key to the situation is circulation. If ringers would individually support the paper instead of, as is done unfortunately in all too many cases, taking one copy for the tower, they would quickly see the result in a larger journal, adequate to the growing requirements of the Exercise. At the opening of this New Year, therefore, we feel we may be permitted to appeal to ringers throughout the land to send up the circulation to proportions commensurate with the strength of the Exercise, and thus, by their efforts, secure a paper of dimensions equal to the needs of the future.

### TWELVE BELL PEAL.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Three Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANCES;**

Tenor 37½ cwt.

*FRANCIS K. BIGGS ... .. Treble	JOSEPH W. PARNER ... .. 7
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 8
JOHN McKEAG ... .. 3	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 9
BENJAMIN C. DIXON ... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 10
ERNEST E. FERRY ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 11
WILLIAM STORY ... .. 6	JOHN STUART ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal of Cinques and hails from High Wycombe. Arranged for Messrs. Thomas and Hazell of London. Owing to the indisposition of Mr. Stuart the tenor was rung in the last half-hour by Mr. John Foreman.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANCES;**

Tenor 20 cwt. in E flat.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... .. Treble	† JOHN W. CORNFORD ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 2	FRANK SMITH ... .. 7
REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... .. 8
* JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. 9
ALFRED H. WHITE ... .. 5	* ARTHUR C. OTWAY ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by J. D. MATTHEWS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to A. C. Otway and his newly-born son and heir. \* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal on ten bells.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD.)

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

* PERCIVAL CAVE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. 6
* ARTHUR WILKINS ... .. 2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... .. 7
† EDWIN RIDLER ... .. 3	JOHN BURFORD ... .. 8
RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... .. 4	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. ... .. 9
HARRY BROWNJOHN ... .. 5	GEORGE CONDICK, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN BURFORD.

Conducted by GEORGE CONDICK, JUN.

\* First peal of Cambridge Royal. † First peal of Cambridge Royal with a bob bell. First peal of Surprise as conductor.



**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb. in F.

REV. H. LAW JAMES... ..Treble	TOM TEBBOTT ... .. 6
GEORGE LADD ... .. 2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 7
*MISS KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... 3	JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 8
*MISS ANNIE PARKINS ... .. 4	WALTER AYRE ... .. 9
*MISS PHYLLIS HARE... .. 5	WALTER WOOD ... ..Tenor

Composed and Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

\* First peal of Caters. Rupert Richardson's 200th peal.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

**SHUTLAKES, OXON.**  
**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thursday, December 11, 1919, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

A. SHEPPARD ... ..Treble	J. HISCOCK ... .. 5
A. HESTAD ... .. 2	W. FULLER ... .. 6
O. PORTER ... .. 3	G. CLEAVE ... .. 7
W. WICKS ... .. 4	F. HARRIS ... ..Tenor

Conducted by G. CLEAVE.

**KELSALE, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM FLEMING ... ..Treble	HARRY PHILLIPS ... .. 5
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 2	JOHN W. AVIS ... .. 6
*GEORGE GREENACRE ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. WATLING ... 7
ALBERT J. LINCOLN ... .. 4	FREDERICK J. SMITH ... ..Tenor

Composed by REV. J. HOLME PILKINGTON.

Conducted by FREDERICK W. WATLING.

\* First peal on eight bells.

**WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
(WOTTON AND DISTRICT BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*FRANK E. ALLEN ... ..Treble	*WILLIAM DYER ... .. 5
JAMES F. PARKER ... .. 2	*ALBERT CARTER ... .. 6
FREDERICK OAKHILL ... .. 3	HENRY W. FOSSELL ... .. 7
ALBERT BURCOMBE ... .. 4	*HAROLD J. HOBBS ... ..Tenor

Conducted by H. W. FOSSELL.

\* First peal. † First peal on eight bells.

**LEOMINSTER, HEREFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
(HEREFORD DISTRICT.)

*On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,*  
AT THE PRIORY CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

CHARLES EDWARDS ... ..Treble	WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... 5
*JOHN BEAVAN ... .. 2	ALBERT E. HURCOMBE ... 6
GEORGE GIBLIN ... .. 3	ALFRED R. ELKINS ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. SYMONDS ... .. 4	RICHARD POWELL ... ..Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

\* First peal on eight bells.

**NEWCASTLE, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,*  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

VICARS' SIX-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

*ALBERT VAUGHAN ... ..Treble	ERNEST LONDON ... .. 5
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY ... .. 2	CHARLES H. PAGE ... .. 6
CHARLES MORLEY ... .. 3	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... .. 7
JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 4	JOSEPH SINESTER ... ..Tenor

Conducted by A. CRAWLEY.

\* First peal.

**GILLINGHAM, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Three Hours,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN HAIGH ... ..Treble	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 5
WILLIAM HAIGH ... .. 2	FRED. W. RICHARDSON ... 6
WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... 7
CHARLES WINNER ... .. 4	EDWIN BARNETT, Senr...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, Senr.

**WORKSOP, NOTTS.**

**THE NORTH NOTTS AND SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Three Hours,*  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

*GEORGE HARDWICK ... ..Treble	HERBERT HAIGH ... .. 5
*ERNEST CLARK ... .. 2	JOHN T. LADD ... .. 6
ALBERT JOHNSON ... .. 3	JOHN T. WILSON ... .. 7
*EX-SGT. W. H. JOHNSON, V.C. 4	THOMAS BARTHOLOMEW ...Tenor

Composed by JOHN HUBBARD. Conducted by HERBERT HAIGH.

\* First peal. First peal in the method by all except 6th ringer, and also the first in the method on the bells. This peal was postponed on June 28th through the indisposition of two ringers, J. T. Ladd, who hails from Gainsborough, kindly consenting on this occasion to take a rope at the last minute through further indisposition. Ring as a Peace Peal to celebrate the conclusion of the Great War, and to give a hearty welcome home to all the 'boys' of Worksop who have served in His Majesty's forces.

**TROWBRIDGE, WILTSHIRE.**  
**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

BROOKS'.

Tenor 24 cwt.

JOSEPH T. DYKE ... ..Treble	THOMAS F. KING ... .. 5
FRANK ROMAINE ... .. 2	GILBERT H. HARDING ... 6
PERCY W. CAVE ... .. 3	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. 7
LEONARD HARRIS ... .. 4	SYDNEY FRANCIS ... ..Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

Believed to be the first peal of Stedman on the bells.

**LONDON.**  
**THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

*On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD, STREATHAM, S.W.,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt. in D.

*ISAAC ATTWATER ... ..Treble	ARTHUR J. NEALE ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	CECIL MAYNE ... .. 6
REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 3	JAMES W. CHAPMAN ... .. 7
HENRY G. MILES ... .. 4	HORACE BELCHER ... ..Tenor

Composed by T. DAY.

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

DEANE, BOLTON, LANCs.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

FRED ABBOT... .. Treble	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN. ... 5
TITUS BARLOW ... .. 2	JOHN POTTER ... .. 6
RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 3	THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... 7
HAROLD ODDY ... .. 4	AMOS TRIPPIER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS B. WORSLEY.

STREATHAM, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 15, 1919, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT EMANUEL CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. SCHULTZE ... 5
ISAAC J. ATTWATER ... .. 2	WILLIAM E. MARDELL ... 6
WILLIAM STATES ... .. 3	JOHN E. DANIELS ... .. 7
LOUIS ATTWATER ... .. 4	WALTER J. ANSCOMBE ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ISAAC J. ATTWATER.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 15, 1919, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS R. PERCIVAL ... Treble	*ROBERT GOFTON ... .. 5
*RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 6
R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 3	*STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... 7
JAMES E. GOFTON ... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by J. A. GOFTON.

\* First peal in the method. This is the first peal of London by the Association by an entirely local band.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 16, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*ALBERT J. EDWARDS ... Treble	THOMAS HOAD ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. HOAD ... .. 2	TRAYTON BOOTH ... .. 6
ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. 3	EDWARD MILLS ... .. 7
JOHN H. EDWARDS ... .. 4	*LESLIE LINDEN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

\* First peal. All the ringers belong to Salehurst.

PERRY BAR, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Wednesday, December 17, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

No. 33.

Tenor 14 cwt.

*GEORGE T. MITCHISON ... Treble	*JOHN CARRIGAN ... .. 5
JOHN CARTER ... .. 2	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 6
W. HENRY JONES ... .. 3	ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. 7
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 4	*CHARLES ALLEN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN CARTER.

\* First peal of Stedman. † First peal since being demobilised. Ringers of the 3rd and tenor were proposed members of the above Guild before starting for the peal. This peal was originally arranged as a birthday peal for Mr. G.T. Mitchison, but owing to the death of Mrs. Cooper, wife of Mr. Cooper, foreman of the tower and member of the local band for 40 years, the bells were muffled as a token of respect to the deceased.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, December 16, 1919, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, KOTHERHITHE, S.E.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' ONE-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in F.

*GEORGE J. HARMAN ... Treble	ARTHUR D. DAKKER ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	WILLIAM BERRY ... .. 6
ERNEST J. KING ... .. 3	RICHARD N. RUNHAM ... 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 4	†ALFRED H. PHILLIPS ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal with an inside bell. † First peal.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Wednesday, December 17, 1919, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT ST. CHAD'S (R.C.) CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

THOMAS MILLER ... .. Treble	GEORGE PIGOTT ... .. 5
CHARLES DICKINS ... .. 2	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 6
FRANK W. PERRENS ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
JOHN WITHERS ... .. 4	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by ALFRED DAVIES.

LEE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, December 18, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb.

*WILLIAM G. PINNIGAR ... Treble	WILLIAM F. RICHARDSON ... 5
HORACE BELCHER ... .. 2	ALBERT E. GODDARD ... .. 6
*NORMAN H. WILLIAMS ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... .. 7
THOMAS A. EASTERBY ... .. 4	JOHN W. CROWDER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES.

\* First peal, and members of the tower. The remainder are from St. John's, Deptford. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Belcher, late of Wolverhampton.

SIX BELL PEALS.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 9, 1919, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Canterbury Pleasure and four of Plain Bob.

THOMAS LAMBERT ... .. Treble	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN. ... 4
ALBERT RELFE ... .. 2	RICHARD HOPE ... .. 5
FREDK. J. LAMBERT, JUN. ... 3	JAMES WAGHORN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

Rung as a welcome home to Robert T. Lambert, recently demobilised on the second anniversary of the capture of Jerusalem, in which this young ringer took part.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ISHAM SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Comprising 720 changes each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court Double Oxford, Oxford and Plain Bob.

JAMES BUTLER ... .. Treble	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. 4
*MISS CECIL HEPBURN ... .. 2	*WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... 5
WALTER T. WILSON ... .. 3	GEORGE A. BLAXLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in seven methods. Miss Hepburn is the first resident lady member of the Association to ring an inside bell to a peal of this description. Rung on the occasion of the annual ringers' supper which took place subsequently through the generosity of Mr. Churchwarden Stanyon.

GEDNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(ELLOE DEANERIES BRANCH.)

On Thursday, December 11, 1919, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven different 720's. Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN B. HALLIFAX ... .. Treble	THOMAS HANNAH ... .. 4
HARRY V. FLETCHER ... .. 2	ARTHUR H. MUNSON ... .. 5
WILLIAM HANNAH ... .. 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

CALVERTON, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London, Wells and Canterbury Surprise, Oxford  
and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt.

ALBERT J. GREEN ... .. Treble	WALTER W. BONHAM ... .. 4
EDWIN YATES ... .. 2	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS ... .. 5
ERNEST C. LAMBERT ... .. 3	CECIL A. VALENTINE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CECIL A. VALENTINE.

PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(ELLOE DEANERIES BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, December 16, 1919, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of  
Plain Bob. Tenor 21 cwt.

JOHN W. WOOD ... .. Treble	GEORGE LADD ... .. 4
THOMAS TAYLOR ... .. 2	JOHN CURRY ... .. 5
WILLIAM RICHARDSON ... .. 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

OLD HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. A. E. PARSONS

(Master of the Association),

**A PEAL OF STEOMAN CINQUES, 5021 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

A. PADDON SMITH ... .. 1-2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7-8
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 3-4	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... .. 9-10
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11-12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER

Referee: MR. A. E. PARSONS.

Rung on the 21st wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. Walker

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Tuesday, December 16, 1919, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
IN THE VESTRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 3-4	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 7-8
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 9-10	

Composed by F. H. HOLDEN. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.  
Umpire: F. W. BAILEY.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

"...all our friends throughout the Exercise we extend our heartiest good wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

Boxing Day was the anniversary of the long peal of Superlative Surprise Major at Crawley, Sussex, the record length of 9312 changes being rung in 5 hrs. 29 mins. It hardly seems possible that this performance took place five and twenty years ago, but so it is.

'The real standard of excellence in our Association,' say the committee of the Lancashire Association in their annual report, 'is to be proud not in the length of its peal list only, but in the variety of methods which can be accurately rung in many of its towers, and in the high quality of its Sunday ringing.'

The death has taken place at Sedgley, Staffs, of William Mills, who for 35 years was a ringer at All Saints' Church.

The peal of Stedman Cinques, rung at Waltham Abbey and recorded in our issue of Dec. 19th, was rung under the auspices of the London County Association. This fact was omitted from the report as sent for publication.

The Lancashire Association's membership is 1,247, of whom 1,010 are resident ringing members.

The meeting of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford, which was originally announced to take place at Wednesbury, is to be held at Christ Church, West Bromwich.

One of the ringers who took part in the opening touch on the new bells at Oversea had rung in 208 towers, and said in his opinion Oversea were the best light peal he had heard.

The handbell peal, rung at Leicester on December 20th, was unique as a 'family' affair. Mr. J. Morris and his two sons are intimately connected with St. Margaret's Church. Mr. E. Morris is sidesman, Mr. J. Morris verger, and Stedman Morris is a chorister, the peal being rung on the twelfth birthday of the last named.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Western Division was held at Chichester, on Saturday, December 27th, 27 members and visitors being present from Angmering, Aldrington, Brighton, Bosham, Billingshurst, Heene, Slinfold, Shoreham with four from Portsmouth; Mr. Dewey from Reigate; Mr. J. H. Shepherd from Swindon, and several members of the local band. Some very good touches were brought round in Grandshire, Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, and Cambridge Surprise Major.

The members attended a short service at the Cathedral and afterwards sat down to an excellent tea.

At the business meeting which followed, the Master (Mr. F. B. Tompkins) was voted to the chair. The Cathedral band were re-elected to the Association, and three life members from Portsmouth, viz., Mr. F. W. Rogers, Mr. E. J. Harding, senr., and Mr. E. J. Harding junr., were elected.

It was proposed to hold the next quarterly meeting at Steyning. It was also suggested that something should be done to show the members' gratitude to Mr. H. Evans, who has been a member of the Association over 30 years and for half that time as secretary to the Western Division, and to help him in his long and continued illness. This was left in the hands of the secretary.

A vote of thanks to the Master (Mr. F. B. Tompkins) for presiding and making the necessary arrangements for the meeting, was proposed by the secretary, and suitably responded to, Mr. Tompkins also undertaking to convey the thanks of the members to the Dean for granting the use of the bells.

The campanile was again visited, and after several more touches were brought round the bells were lowered in peal. Everyone agreed that the 'go' of the bells is excellent. They have lately been overhauled by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

A meeting of the Central Division was held at Uckfield on Boxing Day 21 members being present. A short service was held, the address being given by the Rector (the Rev. E. Sanderson, M.A.), and afterwards the visitors adjourned to the Bell Hotel, where an excellent tea had been provided, and at which the Rector presided, supported by Mr. Wm. Gould (churchwarden). The following new members were elected at the meeting which followed: W. Beeson, junr., Godstone, Surrey; G. Illman, Horley; G. Bliss, Charlwood, Surrey; J. N. Frossell, Kingston-on-Thames; R. Bade, J. Kingswood, F. Kingswood, N. Kingswood, H. Humphrey, J. Warner, Reg. Taylor, Owen Taylor, Ray Welfare, S. Miller, H. Rogers, C. Welfare, R. Philpott, of Withyham.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Rector for the use of the bells and his capital address, and to the Rector and churchwardens for their great kindness in providing tea for those attending.

There was ringing both during the afternoon and evening, and the following towers were represented: Aldrington, Balcombe, Brighton (St. Peter's), Ditchling, Laves, Lindfield, Mayfield, Rotherfield, and the local branch.

DENTON.—Chester Diocesan Guild.—At St. Anne's Church, on Nov. 25th, 720 Hail Surprise: D. Wilde 1, A. E. Marshall 2, H. Bardsley 3, J. Pollitt 4, W. Wilde 5, J. Hockingbottom (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by all.

**BENGE'S NEW BELLS.****ADDITION TO HERTFORDSHIRE PEALS.**

Two new trebles have been added by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank to the ring at Holy Trinity Church, Bengoe, and the old six have been overhauled, so that the tower now possesses a capital ring of eight. The new bells have been hung over the old ones, but they run well, and the Whitechapel Foundry is to be congratulated upon the completion of a splendid job. Given as a thankoffering by Mr. and Mrs. A. Baker, of The Limes, Bengoe, the new bells have just been dedicated at a service attended by the Mayor and Mayoress of Hertford, and other leading residents of the parish. After the formal ceremony the peal were rung in the service by Col. H. Baker 1, Alfred Baker 2, G. R. Gray 3, A. Wright 4, J. Ladley 5, J. Pomfret 6, G. H. Austin 7, D. Bennett 8.

The preacher was the Rev. A. G. Langdon, Rector of Great Munden, and an active member of the Herts Association, who gave an inspiring address from Psalm xc. 17, 'The work of our hands, establish Thou it.' The true dedication, he said, was not merely of the pieces of metal, but of their own hearts. Referring to ringing, he said it was a wholesome and fascinating recreation, intellectual as well as physical. Every gift of body and mind was for Christ's service, and men who wanted to do something for the Church with their hands could find it in the belfry. The old prejudice against the ringers as men of not too sober habit was gone, and the change ringing of today was all against the baser forms of indulgence. In the quiet country places it was almost the salvation of the young men who took to it. The life of the good bell ringer and of the good man was the best kind of preaching. He asked their sympathy for and support of the bell ringers, into whose care these bells were now handed over to be well and truly used, dedicated to the service of God.

The offertory was to meet the expenses—over £60—incurrd in the necessary overhaul of the old bells, etc.

The new bells bear the following inscriptions: Treble 'In Thee, O Lord, do we put our trust.' G. M. Baker Lieut., King's Liverpool Regt., 1919.' Second, 'Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory.' W. G. Baker, Lieut., R. Innis, Fusiliers, 1919.'

After the service a number of touches of Grandfire Triples and Plain Bob Major were rung, the ringers including Messrs. J. Thomas and W. J. Hazell from the Whitechapel foundry, and representatives from Ware, Munden, and Hertford towers.

The old ring of six bells in Holy Trinity tower was the gift of Mr. Robert Smith, of Goldings, and the bells were consecrated by the Bishop of Colchester at a service on New Year's Eve 1882, when the Rev. Mansell-Pleydell was rector. The 'Hertford College Youths' who rang on that occasion. It is interesting to note, were: James Staples 1, Jasper G. Crawley 2, Alfred Baker 3, Herbert Baker 4, Thomas Gathard 5, John Godfrey 6.

**LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****ANNUAL MEETING.**

The annual meeting was held at All Saints' Newport, Mon., on Boxing Day. The bells of both All Saints' and St. Woolos' Churches being available, full advantage was taken to make good use of them. The service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the Vicar, who gave a very able address. Tea followed in the Mission House, the large room being well filled with ringers, including several ladies.

The business meeting was presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. W. Williams). The absence of the Trevechin ringers was explained by the Chairman, who said that the death had occurred of the wife of Mr. D. Penny, one of the Trevechin band, and the other ringers belonging to the tower were attending the funeral that afternoon.—A vote of condolence with Mr. Penny was passed.

Mr. George Cooke, of Caerphilly, was chosen as Master of the Association for the ensuing year and Mr. J. W. Jones was re-elected hon. secretary.—The Rev. W. Williams was appointed treasurer in place of the Rev. Connop L. Price, who desired to retire.—Mr. W. Bolton and Mr. S. Dawo were elected auditors.

It was resolved to place a tablet in the Cathedral as a memorial to those members of the Association who had fallen in the war. It was decided that the next annual meeting should be held at St. John's, Cardiff; the next Glamorgan quarterly meeting at St. Nicholas, and the Monmouthshire quarterly meeting at Blaenavon.

Although it was a very wet day there was a good attendance and the meeting a success.

**WEDDING BELLS.**

On Saturday evening, December 20th, at Rainham, Kent, in honour of the wedding of the daughter of Mr. W. J. Walker, a respected ringer of the Kent County Association, a date touch of Grandfire Triples (1919 changes), arranged by F. Stone, was rung in 1 hr. 13 mins. by: W. Raynes 1, W. Haigh (conductor) 2, F. Ockwell 3, A. Manktelow 4, C. Winsor 5, J. Champion 6, P. A. Holden 7, F. Belsey 8. At Upchurch, in the afternoon, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung.

**OVERSEAL'S WAR MEMORIAL.****GIFT OF BELLS BY MR. W. W. WORTHINGTON.**

A peal of eight bells, three of them the gift of Mr. W. W. Worthington, whose interest in ringing is well known in the Midlands, have been placed in St. Matthew's Church, Overseal, and a marble tablet erected in memory of the nineteen Overseal men who fell in the war. The bells are the product of the Loughborough foundry, and their beautiful tones are much admired, for although the peal is a light one, they are a most musical octave. The tablet, which is of white marble, bears the inscription, 'The peal of bells in the tower and this tablet were placed in this church to the glory of God and to the men of the parish who laid down their lives in the great war, 1914-1919.' Their names are inscribed hereunder: Edward Percy Clapp, Ronald Eacot, Charles Percy Fernihough, Job Smith Hall, Frederick George Harper, Thomas Henry Hogg, John Win. Hogg, John Thomas Hughes, Albert Jordan, Wilfred Jordan, Joseph William Lamsden, Samuel Norman Leatham, Percy Walter Perry, John Reginald Teblitt, Joseph Thorpe, George Walker, Charles Woodward, James Wood, Harold Yates.

The inscription on the tenor bell is 'Treble, second and tenor bells were presented to this church by W. W. Worthington in memory of those who have fallen in the great war, and as a thankoffering for its conclusion, 1919. Herbert Edward Worthington, B.A., Rector. George Pratt, John Hall wardens.' On the treble are the words, 'The two small trebles and the fifth sixth and seventh bells were presented by the parishioners to the glory of God and as a memorial to the 19 Overseal men who fell in the great war, 1914-19.'

Mr. A. Jackson was the secretary for the committee which had charge of the arrangements, and it is interesting to note that the whole of the money was raised in ten months.

The dedication was performed by the Bishop of Peterborough. The choir and clergy met at the schools, and marched in procession to the church, the hymn, 'Onward, Christian Soldiers,' being sung en route. After the dedication by the Bishop there were four minutes of silent prayer, during which there was muffled ringing and afterwards 'The Last Post' was sounded from the steps of the church by Mr. Chadburn, an ex-soldier.

The band that rang the opening touch comprised: John H. Swinfield 1, William W. Worthington 2, Edward I. Stone 3, Harry Withers 4, John Withers 5, William J. Smith 6, Joseph Griffin 7, John Jagger 8.

The Bishop gave an address, and after the service tea was served in the schoolroom, for which a sub-committee of ladies was responsible.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****NORTH AND EAST DISTRICT MEETING.**

A very successful meeting of the North and East District of the Middlesex Association was held at Christ Church, Cubitt Town, on Saturday, December 20th, when about 40 members attended. The ringing started punctually at 3.30, with a touch of Stedman Triples, and touches in other methods followed. Service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. E. Hartley), who gave a short address on the message of the bells. The organist and choir were present, and added considerably to the harmony of the proceedings.

Tea was served in the Parish Room, followed by the business meeting, at which four new members were elected, whilst two elections made prior to ringing peals were confirmed.

The District Master (Mr. J. Armstrong) proposed that the next meeting, which would be the annual meeting of the district, should be held at Southgate, and he took the opportunity to inform the members that Messrs. Mears and Stainbank had received the order to add two new trebles to the existing peal of eight at that church. They were being given by the family of the late Mr. A. R. Barker (churchwarden) and Mrs. Barker, in memory of their parents.—The Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles), in seconding the proposal to hold the next meeting at Southgate, stated that they would all look forward to the reopening of the peal after the new bells were added, and he was quite sure that the firm who had cast the present splendid peal would make every effort to add two bells worthy to take their place with them.

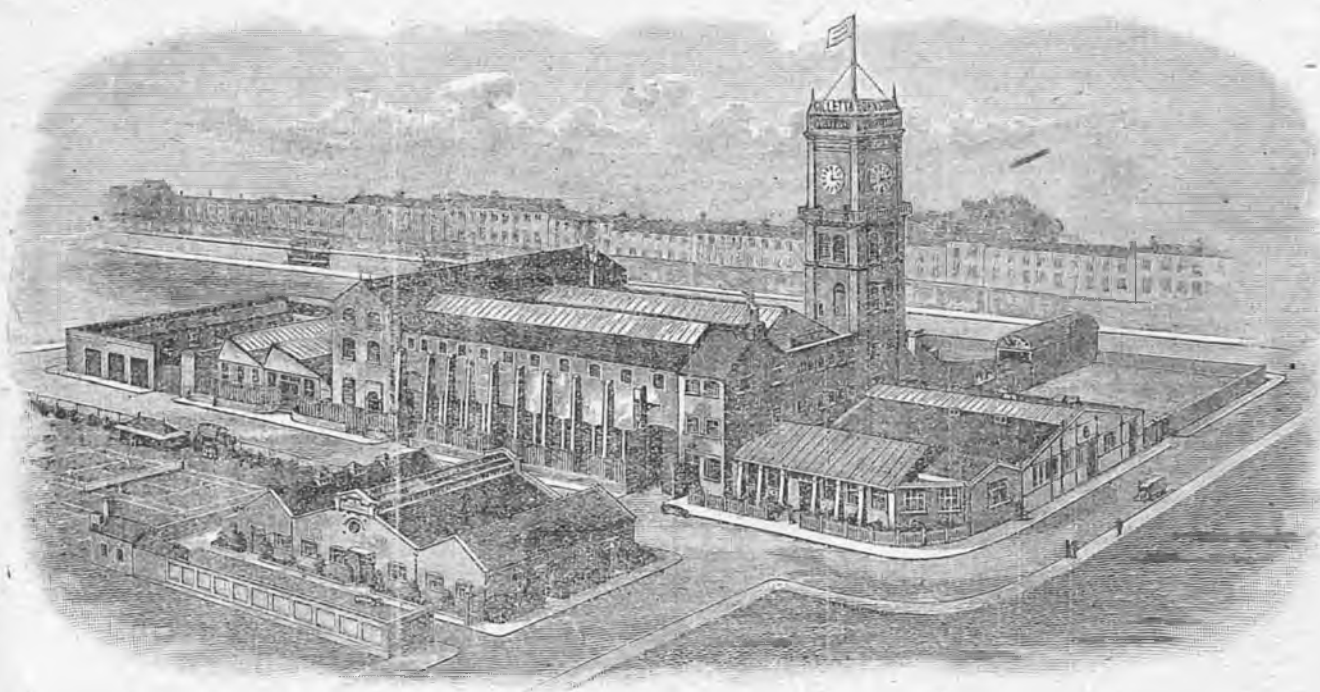
Mr. J. Waghorn asked the ringers present to give their support to the 'Ringing World,' stating that the paper had had a hard struggle to exist during the war.—The Hon. Secretary said that he would like to see all ringers taking a copy as it was only by increased circulation that the present difficulties could be overcome.

The Chairman (Mr. F. A. Milne, J.P.) proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for his address at the service and for the use of the bells; to the organist and choir; and to Mrs. Hodgson, Mrs. Hawkins, and friends for so well arranging the tea.—This, with a vote of thanks to Mr. D. Hodgson and the local ringers, was carried, and the meeting terminated.

During the period afterwards available for ringing some capital touches were rung, including courses of London and Bristol Surprise, followed by Stedman Caters, Treble Ten, and Double Norwich Major on handbells.

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**BRISTOL SURPRISE !***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I read with much interest your leading article of December 26th. I notice that you refer to the 'Central Council's definition of a Surprise Method.' Now, I may have been mistaken, but I was always under the impression that the definition was mine. Some years ago a long discussion on this subject took place in the columns of the 'Bell News.' It was when the controversy was almost worn out that my attention was first drawn to it; and I at once posted off my definition to the Editor, who consigned it to the waste paper basket. He afterwards explained that he thought sufficient had been said on the subject. Finding that my letter was to be ignored I sent copies of it to my two old friends, Mr. Henry Dains and Mr. George Baker. Mr. Dains was delighted with it, and wrote to say that he would get it published; which he did, but made no mention as to where he got it from; but Mr. Baker wrote the next week and accused him of using my work, and I had to write and explain. Those who have the old files of the 'Bell News' can verify these facts for themselves.

Let us see then what the definition is.

1. A Surprise method is one in which the treble has a dodging hunt, and a place is always made at a cross section.

2. A cross section is the point at which the treble moves on from one set of dodging places to another.

That is the definition as I made it for myself in 1890. It is carefully worded to avoid the very point that Mr. Carter is now bringing up. When the treble lies her whole pulls in eighth and at lead she does not move on from one set of places to another, but merely dodges the other way round in the same places.

In framing this definition, I had two objects in view. First to include the old Surprise Methods, and secondly, to embrace all the best methods that could be obtained in the class that had always been regarded as the highest.

If Mr. Carter wishes to alter the definition, will he please tell us in the first place what is his reason for doing so, and also show what advantages we are to obtain by it?—Yours truly,

E. BANKES JAMES.

Seaford Park, December 26th.

Dear Sir,—Not only is Bristol Surprise my brother's method, but the definition of a Surprise Method in the Methods Report is also my brother's, and is first laid down in a letter by him to Mr. Henry Dains, which letter is in my possession and from which I copied the definition for the report.

Cross-sections are peculiar to Treble Bob Methods and the whole pull of the Treble in front and behind is not a cross-section; it is something far more, it is a lead division in Double Methods, and a lead division and half lead division in Single Methods and complex methods; it is common to Treble Bob Methods and Plain Methods.

Bristol is not a Bob Surprise Method; but it is a Mixed Court Surprise Method.—Yours truly,  
H. LAW JAMES.

Surfleet, December 24th, 1919.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Carter is mistaken. Bristol is a Surprise Method, according to the Central Council definition as an examination of the adopted report on classification will show. Mr. William Snowden was the only authority who held that a Surprise Method must have second's made at the lead end. In the 'Bell News' for August 17th, 1907, will be found tables by Mr. Law James, from which all Treble Bob Methods can be worked out similar to Mr. Carter's tables in this week's 'Ringing World.'—Yours, etc.,

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

Ealing, Christmas Eve, 1919.

**PRESENTATION TO EX-SERGT. E. MORRIS.**

An interesting presentation has recently been made to Ex-Sergt. Ernest Morris, of Leicester. It took the form of a book on 'The Church Bells of Devon and Cornwall, with a supplement on the bells of the church' by the Rev. H. T. Ellicombe, M.A., F.S.A., and was presented by the officers and staff of the West Midlands Area Administrators (Forage Committee), R.A.S.C., Cheltenham, where Sergt. Morris served for six months during 1919.

It will be remembered that Sergt. Morris served over two years in York, under the District Purchasing Officer of Supplies, as clerk-in-charge of the Registration of Correspondence, and equipment accounting. While there he attached himself to the York Minster Society of Change Ringers, and on his transfer was the recipient of a handsome pair of pictures and an address from the members of that society. He also received a 'mention' before the Secretary of State for War for his valuable services rendered in connection with the war, and on his transfer to Cheltenham was placed in charge of the Equipment Accounting of the Forage Department, covering that half of England under the Administration of the West Midlands area.

The volume now presented to him in recognition of his services makes a splendid addition to the many valuable works he possesses on 'bell literature.' It was formerly in the possession of Mr. J. R. Garstin, M.A., F.S.A., of Dublin.

**NOTICES.**

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THE SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBY-SHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The first meeting in the New Year will be held at Eckington on Saturday, January 3rd, 1920. Eight bells available from 3 o'clock.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield?

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Late the St. James' Society (Estab. 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, January 3rd, 1920, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Wotton-under-Edge on Saturday, Jan. 3rd. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30; tea at 5.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A district meeting will be held at Fen Ditton (5 bells), near Cambridge, on Saturday, January 3rd, 1920. Ringing from 2.30 onwards. Tea provided by the Rector.—A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—A big meeting will be held at Cobham (6) on Saturday, Jan. 3rd, 1920. Bells available from 3—9. Subscriptions will be due for 1920, and the Secretary hopes to be in attendance. All ringers welcome.—Fred W. Mitchell, Hon. District Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—(Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on Jan. 6th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 8th and 22nd; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 13th; St. Paul's Cathedral on the 27th; all at 7.30 p.m. \* Business afterwards at Headquarters. The sum of 1/8, which entitles members who have not attended 20 times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due.—William T. Cockerill (Hon. Sec.), 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Christ Church, West Bromwich, on Saturday, January 10th. Bells available at 3. Short service in church with an address at 5.15. Tea, 1s., at 6. Those intending to be present please send word not later than Tuesday, Jan. 6th.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby St., Wolverhampton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bolton Parish Church on Saturday, 10th January. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting, 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—The annual meeting will be held at Fareham on Saturday, Jan. 10th. Bells available 2 p.m. Service at 5.30. Tea (free) at 6 o'clock; will all members wishing to be present notify me not later than Tuesday, Jan. 6th?—E. J. Harding, District Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Hull, on Saturday, Jan. 10th. Bells of Holy Trinity (10), All Saints' (8), Sutton-on-Hull (6), will be available from 2 to 9 p.m. Service in church at 5; tea 5.30; meeting to follow. Tea will be provided for those who notify Mr. T. S. Morton, 83, Blenheim St., Hull, not later than Jan. 6th. Tea 1/- per head.—W. Hinton, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Volta Avenue, Selby.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The annual meeting will be held on Jan. 10th at St. Thomas' (City). Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30; address by the Rev. M. E. Thorold (Master). Tea at 5 o'clock, to be followed by business meeting. Will Tower Secretaries advise me not later than Jan. 3rd how many of their members expect to be present?—W. Stafford, Branch Hon. Sec., 16, Queen's Road, St. George, Bristol, E.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The annual general meeting of the above will be held at Appledore on Saturday, January 10th. Bells available from 2 to 4.30 p.m. Service in the church at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock by the Guild. Will all intending members please notify me not later than Jan. 7th?—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—The annual meeting of the district will be held at Bedford on Saturday, Jan. 10th, 1920. Service in St. Peter's Church at 4.15. Tea at 5 o'clock in St. Peter's Hall. Business meeting to follow. Bells available before and after service. All ringers welcome.—H. S. Harlow, Dist. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Deanery Branch.—The annual general meeting will be held at All Saints', Wokingham, on Saturday, Jan. 10th, 1920. Service at 5 p.m., with sermon by the Master. Tea and Business meeting after at Church House. Ringing at St. Paul's and All Saints' before service and after meeting. Those intending to be present at tea kindly notify F. Dentry, Hon. Sec., Church Street, Twyford, Berks.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society). Estab. 1824.—The quarterly general meeting will be held at Headquarters, 'The Edinburgh,' Milford Lane, Strand, on Monday, Jan. 12th, at the close of practice at St. Clement Danes.—F. Walker, Hon. Sec., 50 Cannon Street, E.C.4.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Late the St. James' Society (Estab. 1824).—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 17th, at St. Giles', Camberwell. Tower open from 3 p.m. Service in the church, 5 p.m. Tea kindly given by the Vicar, Rev. H. Lindsay, in St. Giles' Hall, near the Green, at 5.45 p.m. Business meeting, election of officers, etc., at 6.45. Tower open again after. Members requiring tea kindly notify Mr. T. H. Taffender, 10, Northland Street, Camberwell, S.E. 5, not later than Jan. 12th, or F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W. 19.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. James, Waterfoot (six bell tower), on Saturday, Jan. 17th, 1920. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is earnestly requested. Subscriptions are now due.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next month's meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 17th, at Heywood. St. Luke's bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6. Reports are now ready.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Stourbridge (St. Thomas) on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Service in the Church at 5 p.m.; business meeting to follow. Tea will be provided for all members who let me know on or before Wednesday, Jan. 14th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. All members are cordially invited.—E. J. Dowler, 11, St. Edward's Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at North Wingfield on Saturday afternoon, 17th January. Ringing from 2 o'clock; committee meeting, 4 o'clock; tea, 5 o'clock, at 1/3 per head for those who notify Mr. J. P. Tarlton, 16, Bright Street, North Wingfield, Chesterfield, not later than the 13th January. General meeting after tea. Notice of any proposed alteration to Rules should reach me before this meeting.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Grantham on Saturday, January 17th. St. Wulfrum's bells (10) available 1 to 8 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m. at Cook's Temperance Hotel, Westgate.—S. Proctor, Sec., 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**—Established 1755.—Annual meeting will be held at St. Martin's Hotel, St. Martin's Lane, Birmingham, on Tuesday, January 20th, 1920. Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., B.C.L., in the chair. Ringing at St. Martin's, 6.30. Business, 7.30. All subscriptions are due at this meeting.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on Saturday, January 24th, 1920. Tower open 3 p.m. Service, 5.30. Tea in the Parish Hall at 6 p.m. Will members please notify me if they intend being present at the tea?—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., 25, Winchester Avenue, Broudesbury, N.W. 6.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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### DEATH OF MR. J. I. DOMAN. A LOSS TO LLANELLY, BRECONSHIRE.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Mr. J. I. Doman captain of the Llanelly band of bell ringers, which sad event took place at the Victoria Cottage Hospital, Abergavenny, after an illness lasting four months. The cause of death was consumption, following an operation for a septic abscess in the left groin, which was caused by a wound in the knee, sustained by falling from his motor bicycle in July last. Having sold the motor, deceased journeyed to Burghill to attend the quarterly meeting of the Hereford Guild on August 9th on an ordinary push bicycle. He contracted a chill on the homeward journey and this developed into consumption. Subsequently he was removed to hospital at Abergavenny, where an operation was successfully performed. For some weeks the patient improved, but three weeks before his death he had a relapse from which he never recovered.

Mr. Doman had been a ringer for eight years, learning the rudiments of the art at Llanelly, and further improving at Merthyr Tydfil. Returning to Llanelly, he was elected captain of the local band. Although not a great peal ringer, deceased could ring Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman and Kent Treble Bob up to eight bells, and was a member of both the Hereford and Llandaff Associations.

The funeral took place on December 20th, and the service, conducted by the Rev. E. A. T. Roberts, was fully choral. Among the many floral tributes was a wreath from the Llanelly ringers, who acted as bearers. After the committal, the 'whole pull and stand' 29 times (deceased's age) was rung on the tower bells, and on Dec. 22nd a peal of Doubles, with the bells half-muffled, was rung as a tribute to his memory by the local band.

### WELCOME HOME.

As a welcome home from service abroad of members of the All Saints' and St. Andrew's ringing societies, Hertford, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung for service on Sunday, December 14th, at All Saints' Church by four members of each society: W. Story 1, J. Ladley 2, D. Dye 3, R. Dore 4, A. Wright 5, V. Neale (conductor) 6, H. J. Gray 7, G. Gray 8.

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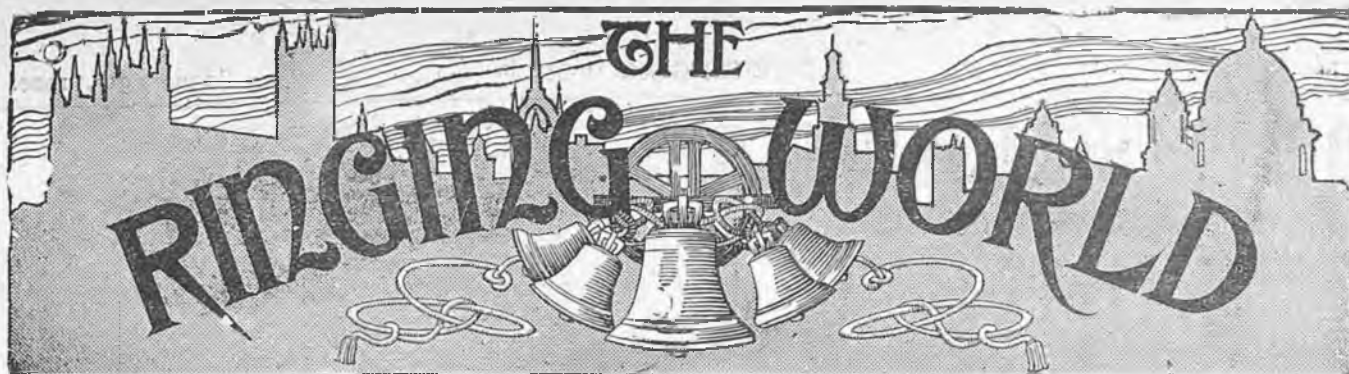
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## A COURT OF APPEAL?

Much interest was excited by Mr. John Carter's announcement that in his opinion Bristol is not a Surprise method, and the prompt replies of experts who take the view that it is rightly included in the Surprise category was only to be expected. In our article a fortnight ago we showed how Bristol first came by its name, and how by all the accepted views of that time it was entitled to be classed with the highest group of methods. The correspondence which we published last week showed how the method was, by the intention of the author, kept within the definition of a Surprise, for the definition which was embodied in the report upon methods and adopted by the Central Council, was drafted by the Rev. E. Bankes James himself. With that explanation before the Exercise it will be difficult to quarrel with the designation of Bristol, but there is still room for argument on the views put forward by Mr. Carter, who tells us this week that the passing of the treble from 7-8 up to 7-8 down is a cross section, no more and no less.

While the complexity or interest of a method is neither increased nor diminished by the name we give it, it does seem that the definition of a Surprise method might have been still more closely laid down, if the point had been clearly made that the treble's whole pull in front or behind was not to be considered a cross section. But in this, as in many other things in ringing, we see that definitions that are provided for our guidance are not all they might be. It is quite certain, from this discussion on Bristol, that our experts are not agreed upon what the meanings of some of the definitions are, for here we have Mr. Carter, who we believe signed the Central Council's report, differing from other members of the committee as to the exact application of the terms. What we need is a court of appeal to settle these matters. Indeed it would add quite a refreshing variety to the procedure of the Central Council if a bench of, say, five 'judges' were set up and the contending parties argued their case on something like the same lines that legal actions are conducted in the High Court. This, perhaps, might be the solution of one of the complaints against the present procedure of the Central Council that the debates on the scientific side of ringing are too dull, or else too technical to interest the main body of members. Speeches by 'counsel' and the examination and cross-examination of witnesses would certainly add zest to some of the discussions, and even if it tended to introduce a little levity into the proceedings, we should, at all events, be able to have a 'considered judgment' of experts upon a subject after they had heard both sides of the question.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5017 CHANCES;**

Tenor 36 cwt. in C.

SAMUEL GROVE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM KENT ... .. 7
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS... .. 2	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... 8
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 3	RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 9
ALBERT WALKER... .. 4	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 10
JAMES GEORGE ... .. 5	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 11
FRANK W. PERRENS ... .. 6	AMOS TRIPPIER ... .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK W. PERRENS.

Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

The conductor, in addition to ringing each of the twelve bells to a peal, has now completed 50 peals on the 11th bell.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANCES;**

Tenor 38½ cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Treble	JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE... .. 2	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ... 8
ISAAC G. SHADE... .. 3	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. 9
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 10
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 11
JAMES GEORGE ... .. 6	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

First peal of Cinques as conductor.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5017 CHANCES;**

Tenor 33 cwt. in C sharp.

JAMES E. GROVES ... .. Treble	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 7
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS... .. 2	THOMAS H. REEVES ... .. 8
JAS. W. WASHBROOK, JUN. 3	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 9
FRANK W. PERRENS ... .. 4	ALBERT WALKER ... .. 10
RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 5	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 11
J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... 6	AMOS TRIPPIER ... .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK W. PERRENS.

Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

This was Mr. Washbrook's first peal on twelve bells. All the above are also members of St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

CANTERBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANCES;**

Tenor 30 cwt.

*LEONARD MANNERING ... Treble	*FREDERICK M. MITCHELL 6
F/Sgt. F.A. HOLDEN, R.A.F. 2	†WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 7
FREDERICK G. BRETT ... .. 3	WILLIAM HAIGH ... .. 8
THOMAS MANNERING... .. 4	EDWARD A. G. ALLEN ... 9
GEORGE G. JENKINS ... .. 5	*FREDERICK A. FAIRBREAD... Tenor

Composed by the late Sir A. P. HEYWOOD, BART.

Conducted by FRED A. HOLDEN.

\* First peal on ten bells, also in the method. † 150th peal. Quickest peal of Caters on the bells.

GULVAL, PENZANCE.—On the evening of Nov. 25th, a quarter-peal of Grandshire Triples (John Carter's) was rung in 48 minutes: W. Wood 1, Miss Lilien Symons (first 120 on inside bell) 2, John Symons 3, P. Hitchens (first 1260 as conductor) 4, F. Gilbert 5, A. Triggs 6, J. Wood 7, J. Corkell 8.



WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION,

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

*HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE... .. 2	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 7
JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. 3	† CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. 8
ISAAC G. SHADE... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 9
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal of Royal. † First peal of Cambridge Royal.

LIVERPOOL.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5165 CHANCES;**

Tenor 39 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

*WALTER FISHER ... .. Treble	†ARTHUR LINTOTT ... .. 6
†HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 2	JAMES MARTIN ... .. 7
GEORGE R. NEWTON... .. 3	EDWIN BREEZE ... .. 8
†HENRY FYLES ... .. 4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. 9
†THOMAS W. GILMOUR ... .. 5	*ERNEST BOUMPHREY... .. Tenor
	†CLAUDE DAVIES... ..

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

Rung on the back ten. \* First peal. † First peal on ten bells.

LEICESTER.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANCES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt. in E flat.

LOUIS E. ALLEN ... .. Treble	HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 6
HERBERT W. NEEDHAM ... .. 2	J. LESLIE WILLIAMS ... .. 7
ERNEST BARTRAM, M.M. ... .. 3	DET. SGT. HAROLD G. JENNEY 8
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. 9
THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. 5	R. HENRY BARTRAM ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

\* First peal of Royal on the bells and by all the band, with the exception of the ringers of the treble, 9th and tenor.

CARDIFF.  
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANCES;**

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

SIDNEY DAWE ... .. Treble	CLARENCE O. HOBBS ... .. 6
*WILLIAM HEATH ... .. 2	FREDERICK VILES ... .. 7
EVAN COLES ... .. 3	WILLIAM BOLTON ... .. 8
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 9
WILLIAM B. BISS ... .. 5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD.

Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

\* First peal of Caters. First peal of Caters as conductor, and his first attempt. Arranged specially for two purposes: the first as a birthday compliment to Mr. John Clutterbuck, one of the originators of this Association, the second as a Peace Peal for the City of Cardiff.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

WILLIAM PALMER ... .. Treble	ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. CRIPPS ... .. 6
WILLIAM WATTS... .. 3	WILLIAM C. HART ... .. 7
CHARLES PALMER ... .. 4	KEITH HART... .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN PITSTOW.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 6, 1919, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES,**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

MRS. W. WOLSTENCROFT...Treble	MISS SARAH HOLT ... .. 5
†MISS DORIS OGDEN... .. 2	JOHN HARRISON... .. 6
MISS CISSY THORP ... .. 3	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT 7
MISS ADA WOLSTENCROFT 4	*FRANK FIDDLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by MISS THORP.

\* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. First peal conducted by a lady in the North of England. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Wolstencroft and John Harrison.

DORKING, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 19, 1919, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

EDWARD E. DODD ... .. Treble	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. 5
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 2	EDWARD HULL ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 7
HENRY BOXALL ... .. 4	WILLIAM LYNCH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. H. WHITE.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. White, on the occasion of their silver wedding.

ASHTON, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

*MISS V. SHORTER ... .. Treble	E. T. GROVE ... .. 5
W. H. CORRETT ... .. 2	J. HOYLE ... .. 6
*J. BEAMS ... .. 3	A. W. CLARKE ... .. 7
†R. LATHBURY ... .. 4	C. E. READ ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY JAMES TUCKER.

Conducted by R. LATHBURY.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Major and first as conductor.

OXHEY, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

*ARTHUR GEORGE COOPER Treble	CHARLES LEMAN ... .. 5
HUBERT EDEN ... .. 2	MAURICE HIBBERT ... .. 6
ARTHUR W. DIN ... .. 3	HENRY HODGETTS ... .. 7
WILLIAM HODGETTS... .. 4	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW...Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW.

\* First peal. This peal was rung on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Doris Hatton and Mr. Henri Platell.

SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE  
DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

BIDDLESTONE'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt. 4 lb.

JOHN RAY ... .. Treble	HARRY JEVONS ... .. 5
WILLIAM MILLS, JUN... .. 2	JESSE SCREEN ... .. 6
JOHN H. BROWN ... .. 3	WILLIAM A. COOPER ... .. 7
FRED EVANS... .. 4	BENJAMIN FULLWOOD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JESSE SCREEN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late William Mills, father of the ringer of the second, who was a ringer at the above church 35 years.

## TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLLIS' FIVE-PART, No. 2.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*ALFRED MILLARD ... .. Treble	†ARTHUR R. THORNE ... .. 5
JOSEPH MADDOCK ... .. 2	†EBENEZER PRIDDLE ... .. 6
THOMAS DOBLE ... .. 3	FRANK MILLARD ... .. 7
WILLIAM S. DOBLE ... .. 4	HENRY BOBLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH MADDOCK.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples. † First peal away from tenor.

## HERSHAM, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 8½ cwt.

GEORGE EDSEY ... .. Treble	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... .. 5
FREDERICK G. GODDARD ... .. 2	WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... .. 6
WILLIAM A. WOODROW ... .. 3	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD ... .. 7
*JOHN LOVERIDGE ... .. 4	†HERBERT BATTY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FERRIS J. SHEPHERD.

\* First peal on tower bells. † First peal.

## BIRSTALL, YORKS.

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

W. STAINTHORPE ... .. Treble	JOSEPH KELLETT ... .. 5
HARRY ROBINSON ... .. 2	W. RHODES ... .. 6
W. CLARK ... .. 3	EDWARD CROWDER ... .. 7
GEORGE BRITTON ... .. 4	HERBERT PEEL ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL.

Conducted by W. STAINTHORPE.

First peal on the bells since they were recast by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.

## NETHERSEALE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.)

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PISTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 11½ cwt.

JOHN H. SWINFIELD ... .. Treble	EDWARD I. STONE ... .. 5
CHARLES SANDERS ... .. 2	GEORGE BULL ... .. 6
JOHN H. BENSTEAD ... .. 3	JOSEPH GRIFFIN ... .. 7
WILLIAM W. WORTHINGTON ... .. 4	REUBEN STEVENSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH GRIFFIN.

## BENGELO, HERTFORD.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, December 21, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5049 CHANCES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIS' FIVE-PART.

Tenor 7½ cwt.

GEORGE H. AUSTIN ... .. Treble	ARTHUR WRIGHT ... .. 5
HERBERT BAKER ... .. 2	JOSEPH POMFREY ... .. 6
REGINALD DORE ... .. 3	GEORGE GRAY ... .. 7
JOSEPH LADLEY ... .. 4	ALFRED E. AKERS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT BAKER.

This is the first peal on the bells since being augmented to eight. Rung on the 57th birthday of the ringer of the 6th, who, with the conductor, took part in the opening of the original six in 1882. The whole of the band resides in the borough of Hertford.

GUILDFORD.—At St. Nicolas' Church, on Nov. 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late rector, the Rev. G. Daudridge, whose funeral took place at Portsmouth that afternoon: G. Gibbs 1, G. J. Nichols 2, E. A. Etheridge 3, G. Tompsett 4, E. Radford 5, S. Radford 6, T. W. Radford (conductor) 7, E. Heath 8.

## RUSPER, SUSSEX.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, December 21, 1919, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

*MISS NORA E. SHORTER ... Treble	ROBERT BRETT ... .. 5
JOHN RICE ... .. 2	GEORGE ILLMAN ... .. 6
FRANCIS T. HOAD ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 4	ALBERT ELLIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY J. TUCKER.

Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

\* First peal. First peal in the method on the bells.

## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, December 23, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5356 CHANCES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Treble	THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... .. 2	HARRY KILBY ... .. 6
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 3	ARTHUR J. NEALE ... .. 7
BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. 4	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by WILLIAM J. NUDDS.

First peal in the method by the ringers of 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, also first in the method on the bells.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## SPOUGHTON.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On All Saints' Day, Saturday, November 1, 1919, in Two Hours and  
Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Bob, 720 Double Court, two 720's of  
Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob, and 720 Plain Bob.

CHARLES F. MEE ... .. Treble	G. W. MEE ... .. 4
FRANK ROLFE ... .. 2	EDGAR RIVERS ... .. 5
WALTER BROWN ... .. 3	CHARLES MEE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES MEE.

Rung as a token of respect to the memory of the 19 Soughton men who made the great sacrifice in the War, on the occasion of the unveiling of a memorial in the Parish Church.

## RADCLIFFE-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 8, 1919, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 15 cwt.

*HARRY PARR ... .. Treble	*STEPHEN LOACH ... .. 4
GEORGE NOWELL ... .. 2	*HARRY SPENCER ... .. 5
JOHN W. KIRTON ... .. 3	FRANK SPENCER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK SPENCER.

\* First peal. The ringer of the 3rd bails from Bottesford. Rung as a welcome home to the Radcliffe men who served in the Great War.

## LLANELLY, BRECONSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, December 22, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ELLI,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 21 Six-scores each of Plain Bob and Grandsire.

Tenor 13 cwt.

ALFRED A. RACKHAM ... Treble	SYDNEY T. RACKHAM ... 4
ALEX. A. RACKHAM ... .. 2	JOHN H. RACKHAM ... .. 5
†ROBERT STEPHENS ... .. 3	*WALTER BASSETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. RACKHAM.

\* First peal. † First peal in two methods on an inside bell. First peal as conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. J. I. Doman, captain of this tower.

BUCKLAND, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's called differently.

W. CLAYDON	...	...	Treble	H. EWINS	...	...	4
A. WOOD	...	...	2	H. HOAD	...	...	5
A. HOLMAN	...	...	3	G. HOAD	...	...	Tenor

Conducted by G. HOAD.

Rung for Peace Celebrations. The band were afterwards kindly provided with refreshments by Mr. and Mrs. A. Holman.

ALDERTON, GLOUCESTER.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 22, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

With 10 different callings.

ALBERT PARKER	...	...	Treble	FREDERICK JOHNSON	...	4
HUBERT COTTON	...	...	2	*WILLIAM HARRISS	...	5
JOSEPH HALL	...	...	3	JAMES HEMMING	...	Tenor

Conducted by F. JOHNSON.

\* First peal. After the peal the ringers were kindly entertained to tea by the Rector (the Rev. A. D. Pennington).

SHARNBROOK, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 24, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob,  
Double Court, Double Oxford and Bob Minor.

Tenor 123 cwt.

E. CHARLES ALLEN	...	...	Treble	R. CHARLES ALLEN	...	4
W. ARCHIBALD NORMAN	...	...	2	ALBERT J. BARCOCK	...	5
GILBERT C. BELL	...	...	3	EDWARD P. DUFFIELD	...	Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD P. DUFFIELD.

First peal in seven methods by an entirely local band.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, December 17, 1919, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
AT KING EDWARD VI. GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor size 18 in G.

MAURICE SMITHER	...	...	1-2	†CHARLES HAZELDEN	...	5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING	...	...	3-4	*LEWIS W. WIFFIN	...	7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: G. W. STEERE.

Witnesses: MRS. HAZELDEN and MRS. PULLING.

\* First peal of Stedman in hand, † First peal on an inside pair  
Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. White, of Dorking, on the  
occasion of their silver wedding.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 23, 1919, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
IN THE VESTRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANCES;**

ALLEN F. BAILEY	...	...	1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY	...	5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY	...	...	3-4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY	...	7-8
JAMES M. BAILEY	...	...	9-10			

Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Umpire: G. WILSON.

**PEAL CORRECTION.**

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In the 'Ringing World' of last week there is a report  
of a peal of Bob Major rung at Heptonstall by the Lancashire Associa-  
tion, and given as being the first in the method on the bells. I beg to  
say that the first peal of Bob Major on the above bells was rung by  
the Yorkshire Association on March 21st, 1914, conducted by P. J.  
Johnson.—Yours, etc.,  
J. BROADLEY.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The new peal at Watford, cast by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, are to be dedicated on Saturday afternoon, January 17th.

It is difficult in these days to do something new, but, following upon a handbell peal by two husbands and their wives, four fathers and four sons have now scored a peal of Grandsire Triples at Erith.

John Hartill, aged nine years, and son of the Vicar (the Rev. Edgar Hartill, M.A.), started to practise bell ringing six months ago, and is now quite capable of rising or falling (not in peal) the third. He also rang last Sunday the same bell for twenty minutes, in rounds, Queens, Whittington and Tittums, keeping the bell well under control, and making the change every time without a mistake. Mr. J. W. Beddard, hon. secretary of the Penn band, who sends this information, asks if this is a record in point of age for a church bell ringer.

Mr. Samuel Grove writes to point out that the 9312 Superlative at Crawley, rung on Boxing Day, 1894, is not the record, as was mentioned in a paragraph in this column last week. The longest length of Superlative was rung by the Worcestershire Association, viz., 9728 in 5 hrs. 52 mins., at Clent; also on a Boxing Day, Dec. 26th, 1910. We ought not to have forgotten the later record, but what was at the moment in our mind was that a quarter of a century had elapsed since that first long length. Most of the Crawley band are, happily, still with us.

In connection with a peal rung at Thornham Magna, on Boxing Day, it is interesting to recall that the same band, with the exception of the ringer of the 2nd, which bell was rung by Mr. E. Youngs, rang the first peal in fourteen Treble Bob Minor Methods (10,080 changes) for the Norwich Association. This peal, which is still a record for the Norwich Association, occupied 5 hrs. 10 mins., and was conducted by G. Cattermole.

A. H. Winch, known to his friends by a much more intimate name, was the ringer of the 5th in the peal at Leatherhead on December 20th, and not H. White, as published.

## PAINSWICK LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

UNFORTUNATE END AFTER 7,600 CHANGES.

The attempt for the long peal of Grandsire Cinques at Painawick on Boxing Day by twelve members of the Ancient Society of Painswick Youths, a Society established in 1686, had an unfortunate ending. After ringing about 7,600 changes in excellent style in 5 hrs. and 15 mins., and when everything was going well, indisposition caused one of the ringers to set his bell.

Another attempt will be made as soon as possible.

## AN INTERESTING RECORD.

BAND UNBROKEN FOR 30 YEARS.

At Newchurch, in Lancs, there is a band of ringers with an extraordinary record of long and unbroken service. A company was formed there in 1889, and its ten members have remained associated with the tower ever since, the eight bells being regularly rung by these long service men. At the moment one is ill, but he is still a member; the others are doing active service. They are James Taylor, Thomas Harrison, James Ashworth, Lawrence Taylor, Sam Lord, Ormerod Eastwood, Walter Taylor, J. T. Wright, John W. Ormerod, and Harry Walls. We feel sure this must be a record for any single tower, and this band of veterans will have the best wishes of the Exercise for many more years of regular and unbroken association with their ancient church and belfry.

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

A BUSY BOXING DAY.

A district meeting of the North Notts Association was held at East Retford, on Boxing Day, with a view to giving an impetus to the new band of ringers who have taken up the art at the Parish Church. The bells of West Retford and Ordsall were also at the disposal of ringers all day, but there was only a moderate attendance. Lack of numbers, however, was compensated for by the quantity and quality of ringing at all three churches. A start was made at Ordsall at 10.30 a.m., and by 1 p.m. touches and 720's in the following methods were rung: Canterbury, Colledge Single, Bob Minor, Stedman Doubles, Oxford and Kent.

At East Retford, the announcement was made that two bells had broken stays, and another bell had been thrown out of the cage by the local juniors, who had been tugging hard to herald the Christmas festival. However, a bit of tinkering by one or two old hands made the bells ringable, and touches of Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, and Bob Major were rung, and the bells lowered in peal, two of them being rung without stays.

A move to West Retford was made at 5 p.m., where touches of Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent brought an interesting day's ringing to an end, the ringers being thanked by some of the inhabitants of Retford for giving them a little Christmas music.

Ringers were present from Worksop, Rotherham, Wigan, Gainsborough, Brigg, Ordsall, West Retford and East Retford and a pleasant day was spent.

The ringers desire to thank the Vicar of East Retford and the Rectors of Ordsall and West Retford respectively for use of bells.



**SURPRISE METHODS.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I have read the three letters that were in last week's 'Ringing World' on the subject of Surprise Methods. Mr. E. Bankes James gives his definition of Surprise Methods. He says (1): A Surprise method is one in which the treble has a dodging hunt, and a place is always made at a cross section. (2) A cross section is the point at which the treble moves on from one set of places to another. Now, when the treble is moved from 7-8 up to 7-8 down it is really a cross section, the same as when the treble is moved from 3-4 up to 5-8 up. Nothing more or less.

Mr. William Snowdon had a word with me about Surprise methods some years ago. He said that a Surprise method is the one that has a bell running from behind to lead without a place being made whatever. I replied that we had better stick to the old school, and that is why I picked out Superlative for my guide, and I have stuck to it throughout. Which are we going to have as the standard, Bristol or Superlative, for a Surprise method?—Yours faithfully,

JOHN CARTER.

**EDINBURGH RINGERS' MEMORIAL.**

UNVEILING AT THE CATHEDRAL.

A memorial tablet, erected by the Society of Change Ringers of St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, to those of their number who died in the great war has been placed in the belfry of the Cathedral, and unveiled by the Very Rev. J. L. Henderson, the Provost of the Cathedral. The tablet is a beautiful piece of work executed in cream-coloured Derbyshire marble, and was designed and carved by Mr. John Marshall, one of the ringers. It is divided into two panels, on the smaller or left-hand of which is carved the badge of the society, while the other contains the inscription. The whole is surmounted by an ornamental pediment consisting of a cluster of bells.

The musical part of the service was provided by a section of the choir, under the direction of Mr. T. H. Collinson, Mus.Bac., organist of the Cathedral. There was a large attendance of ringers, and about forty of the congregation also undertook the ascent of one hundred and twenty odd steps to the belfry. The bells were rung half-muffled for a short time before the service, and when the Provost after a prayer of dedication, removed the Union Jack that covered the tablet, a few muffled 'rounds' were again rung.

The choir then sang the anthem, 'I heard a voice from Heaven' (Dykes), the lofty proportions of the ringing chamber giving great resonance and beauty to the singing.

In the course of a short address, the Provost first mentioned that on the outbreak of war all the ringers except those who were debarr'd by age or sex had joined the forces, and had all gone overseas. Two of them had laid down their lives. He then spoke of the duty of remembrance, of both the comrades who had fallen, and also of the call of the church to prayer, of which the bells themselves were a reminder, reaching as they did the ears of many whom the voice of the priest could not reach.

After a hymn, the service was concluded with some more muffled ringing, after which the visitors were given an opportunity of seeing the bells, in which they were greatly interested.

The inscription on the tablet reads: 'In memory of the ringers of this Cathedral who fell in the great war: Second-Lieut. John E. Mowat, 7th Yorks, died of wounds 15th May, 1917; Pte. John Stanward, B.R.C., died of sickness, 6th August, 1917.'

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

The December monthly meeting of the Manchester Branch was held at the City Town Hall, when a very representative gathering assembled from upwards of twenty-two towers. Mr. Amos Trippier presided over the business meeting, and gave a cordial welcome to all the visitors wishing them the compliments of the season.

Messrs. Cyril Harper, Herbert Clinton, George Mason and J. Carter were elected members of the Association.

The Cathedral was chosen as the next meeting-place on January 17th. This will be the annual branch meeting, when its representatives will be chosen for the ensuing year.

Various methods were rung on the fine peal of bells. Amongst those who took part in calling 'ye bobbies' (not forgetting the singles), were: Mr. and Miss Thorp (brother and sister), of Ashton-under-Lyne.

Messrs. J. W. Washbrook, junr., J. W. Washbrook, senr., A. Barnes and Fred Page rang a course on the handbells to the delight of the company.

A vote of thanks was accorded the Lord Mayor for granting permission to ring on the bells; also to the local company, and to Mr. Trippier for presiding at the meeting.

**KING'S NORTON, BIRMINGHAM.**—On Nov. 10th (Lord Mayor's Day), a date touch of Kent Treble Bob Major (1919 changes), in 1 hr 15 mins.: H. Withers 1, C. Webb 2, W. Ikin 3, J. Vaughan 4, J. Eaton 5, S. Grove 6, J. Withers 7, P. Lakin 8. Arranged and conducted by H. Withers, and rung to celebrate the election of Mr. W. A. Cadbury to the office of Lord Mayor of the City of Birmingham.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION.

The annual district meeting of the South-Western Division was held at St. Mary's, Walthamstow. Ringing commenced at 3.30, and the bells were kept going till 5 p.m. in various methods, when an adjournment was made to the Nag's Head for tea. This was followed by the meeting, at which one non-resident life member and three new ringing members were elected. Both the Master and secretary for the Division (Messrs. W. Theobald and E. Butler) were re-elected for 1920, and Hornchurch selected as the place for the next meeting.

A vote of condolence with the relatives of the late Mr. W. G. Cooper and Mr. B. Bullock, of the Walthamstow St. Saviour's Band (who lost their lives during the war) was passed in silence, by those present up-standing.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Vicar (the Rev. Lampden) for kindly allowing the use of his tower and bells, and to Mr. J. Wilkins, steeplekeeper, for having everything in readiness.

During the afternoon and evening between 40 and 50 members and friends visited the tower, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Bob Major and Royal, Kent Treble Bob, and Cambridge Royal were brought round.

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**

A quarterly meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association was held at Evercreech, on Saturday, December 20th, when eleven towers were represented, and among those also present were the Master and Secretary of the Salisbury Guild (Major D'Aeth and the Rev. F. L. Edwards). The bells were raised in peal soon after 2 p.m., and touches of Grandsire and Bob Major rung until the Guild service was held, at which the Rev. R. J. Bonsey, Rector, officiated, and gave an address. Tea was partaken of in the Schoolroom, after which the business meeting was held, the Master (the Rev. C. C. Parker) presiding, supported by the Rev. R. J. Bonsey, Mr. E. J. Allen (churchwarden), the Rev. F. L. Edwards, and Major D'Aeth. Thirty new members were elected, and Midsomer Norton was the place selected for the next meeting, to be held on the second Saturday after Easter.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for arranging the service and the use of the bells, also to the organist for his services, was proposed by the Master, and carried with acclamation.

The Rector, in responding, said it was a great pleasure for him to welcome the members to Evercreech.

The Master then extended a hearty welcome to the members of the Salisbury Guild, the Rev. F. L. Edwards and Major D'Aeth responding.

This concluded the business, and another visit was paid to the tower, the bells being made good use of during the evening.

**'LONG TEN.'***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—In your issue of Dec. 26th, Mr. J. R. Jerram advocates a few additions to the Glossary of technical terms. Is Mr. Jerram correct in his definition of the 'Long Ten'? He calls it Grandsire Doubles. I give the figures of what I have always known as the Long Ten, and whatever the method is, it certainly does not look like Grandsire as there is no single dodge behind at the start. It is much more like Plain Bob. The first ten changes of Grandsire Doubles could hardly be repeated again and again on Mr. Jerram's rules as the lead end comes 12534.—Yours truly,

WILLIAM J. FULLER

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42513  
45231  
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12345

**SILVER WEDDING PEAL.**

On Friday, Dec. 19th, a beautiful peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in the tower of St. Martin's Church, Dorking, by a combined band of Dorking and Leatherhead ringers in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. John H. White, the well-known and very highly respected captain of the Dorking company. The band, together with Mrs. White and a few other friends, were afterwards entertained to tea by the St. Martin's Guild, a feature of which was a silver wedding cake. During the tea, Mr. White was presented with a silver bell inkstand, suitably inscribed, and Mrs. White with a pierced silver clasp, by Canon Chichester, the Vicar of the parish, on behalf of the St. Martin's Guild. Canon Chichester made a happy speech, in which he expressed the hearty esteem and affection in which Mr. White is held by all who have the privilege of knowing him, as well as the hope that the Guild would one day have the pleasure of rejoicing with him and his wife on the occasion of their golden wedding, a hope which, fortunately, seems quite possible of fulfilment, owing to the fact that Mr. and Mrs. White are unusually young to be keeping their silver wedding.

A happy evening came all too quickly to an end.

**OXLEY, HERTS.**—On Sunday, Nov. 9th, in 47 mins., 1344 London Surprise Major: \*A. Cooper 1, H. Eden 2, A. W. Dix 3, C. Leman 4, M. Hibbert 5, W. Hodgkiss 6, H. Hodgkiss 7, F. W. Brinklow (conductor) 8. \* First in the method.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—(Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Jan. 8th and 22nd; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 13th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 27th; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business afterwards at Headquarters. Notice of motion *re* Rules 3 and 7 has been given for Jan. 27th. The sum of 1/8, which entitles members who have not attended 20 times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due.—William T. Cockerill (Hon. Sec.), 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Christ Church, West Bromwich, on Saturday, January 10th. Bells available at 3. Short service in church with an address at 5.15. Tea, 1s., at 6.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bolton Parish Church on Saturday, 10th January. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting, 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—The annual meeting will be held at Fareham on Saturday, Jan. 10th. Bells available 2 p.m. Service at 5.30. Tea (free) at 6 o'clock.—E. J. Harding, District Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Hull, on Saturday, Jan. 10th. Bells of Holy Trinity (10), All Saints' (8), Sutton-on-Hull (6), will be available from 2 to 9 p.m. Service in church at 5; tea 5.30; meeting to follow. Tea 1/- per head.—W. Hinton, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Volta Avenue, Selby.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Branch.—The annual meeting will be held on Jan. 10th at St. Thomas' (City). Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30; address by the Rev. M. E. Thorold (Master). Tea at 5 o'clock, to be followed by business meeting.—W. Stafford, Branch Hon. Sec., 16, Queen's Road, St. George, Bristol, E.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—The annual meeting of the district will be held at Bedford on Saturday, Jan. 10th, 1920. Service in St. Peter's Church at 4.15. Tea at 5 o'clock in St. Peter's Hall. Business meeting to follow. Bells available before and after service. All ringers welcome.—H. S. Harlow, Dist. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Sonning Deanery Branch.—The annual general meeting will be held at All Saints', Wokingham, on Saturday, Jan. 10th, 1920. Service at 5 p.m., with sermon by the Master. Tea and

Business meeting after at Church House. Ringing at St. Paul's and All Saints' before service and after meeting. Those intending to be present at tea kindly notify F. Dentry, Hon. Sec., Church Street, Twyford, Berks.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society).—Estab. 1824.—The quarterly general meeting will be held at Headquarters, 'The Edinburgh,' Milford Lane, Strand, on Monday, Jan. 12th, at the close of practice at St. Clement Danes.—T. Walker, Hon. Sec., 50 Cannon Street, E.C.4.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—A practice for 'Surprise Methods' only will be held at Twyford, Berks, on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Even-song, 6 p.m., after which ringing will be resumed. Tea at 5, at 1/- per head, to all those who notify Mr. F. Dentry, Church Street, Twyford.—R. T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Late the St. James' Society (Estab. 1824).—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 17th, at St. Giles', Camberwell. Tower open from 3 p.m. Service in the church, 5 p.m. Tea kindly given by the Vicar, Rev. H. Lindsay, in St. Giles' Hall, near the Green, at 5.45 p.m. Business meeting, election of officers, etc., at 6.45. Tower open again after. Members requiring tea kindly notify Mr. T. H. Taffender, 10, Northland Street, Camberwell, S.E.5, not later than Jan. 12th, or F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. James, Waterfoot (six bell tower), on Saturday, Jan. 17th, 1920. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is earnestly requested. Subscriptions are now due.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 17th, at Heywood. St. Luke's bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6. Reports are now ready.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Stourbridge (St. Thomas) on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Service in the Church at 5 p.m.; business meeting to follow. Tea will be provided for all members who let me know on or before Wednesday, Jan. 14th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. All members are cordially invited.—E. J. Dowler, 11, St. Edward's Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The quarterly meeting will be held at North Wingfield on Saturday afternoon, 17th January. Ringing from 2 o'clock; committee meeting, 4 o'clock; tea, 5 o'clock, at 1/3 per head for those who notify Mr. J. P. Tarlton, 16, Bright Street, North Wingfield, Chesterfield, not later than the 13th January. General meeting after tea. Notice of any proposed alteration to Rules should reach me before this meeting.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Grantham on Saturday, January 17th. St. Wulfrum's bells (10) available 1 to 8 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m. at Cook's Temperance Hotel, Westgate.—S. Proctor, Sec., 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

**WATFORD PARISH CHURCH.**—The dedication by the Archdeacon of St. Albans of the Ring of Eight recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston will take place on Saturday, 17th January. Service at 3 p.m. Tea at St. Mary's Hall for clergy and ringers at 4 o'clock. Will ringers who intend to be present kindly inform the Vicar at St. Mary's, Watford, to this effect? They are heartily welcome.—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Hertford County Association, Duffield, St. Albans.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch. —The annual branch meeting will be held at the Cathedral (Manchester) on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells available 4.30. Meeting at 7. Business: Election of branch representatives. Reports ready. Subscriptions due.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec., 103, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Rugby on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock. — Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch. —The next meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Chorley, on Jan. 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec., 98, Victoria Road, Walton-le-Dale.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch. —The next meeting will be held at St. James', Waterfoot, on Saturday, Jan. 17th (six bell tower). Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 7 o'clock. Subscriptions are due. Annual reports to hand.—John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District. —The annual meeting will be held at St. Anne's, Highgate, on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells available from 4 p.m. till 8 p.m. Business meeting, including election of officers, afterwards. A good attendance is requested. — F. G. Symonds, Hon. District Sec., 157, High Street, Camden Town, N.W.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**—Established 1755.—Annual meeting will be held at St. Martin's Hotel, St. Martin's Lane, Birmingham, on Tuesday, January 20th, 1920. Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., B.C.L., in the chair. Ringing at St. Martin's, 6.30. Business, 7.30. All subscriptions are due at this meeting.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on Saturday, January 24th, 1920. Tower open 3 p.m. Service, 5.30. Tea in the Parish Hall at 6 p.m. Will members please notify me if they intend being present at the tea?—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., 25, Winchester Avenue, Brondesbury, N.W.6.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting of the Central District will be held at All Saints', Benhillon, Sutton, on Saturday, the 24th January. Details later.—Charles Dean, 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon, Hon. Sec.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid-Devon Branch.—A meeting will be held at Torquay (Upton Church), Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Short service at 4.30, followed by tea. Will those intending to be present let me know not later than Jan. 19th?—W. C. Wakley, Bella Vista, Teignmouth.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—The annual meeting will be held at Southgate on Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30 o'clock. Tea, at the Cherry Tree, at 6 o'clock, followed by the business meeting. Will all requiring tea please advise me by the 20th inst.? Members and friends invited.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Long Ashton on Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells available 2.30. Divine service 4 o'clock. Tea at the Church House at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow. Those who require tea kindly let me know by Tuesday, Jan. 20th.—George Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at York on Jan. 31st. The bells at the Minster (12) and Clifton (6), also Bishophill (6) will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. All applications for tea, for which a charge of 1s. 6d. per head will be made, must be sent to Mr. G. Horner, 16, Clifton Green, York, not later than first post Jan. 27th. Divine service in the Minster at 4 p.m., at which the Rev. Canon C. C. Bell will preach.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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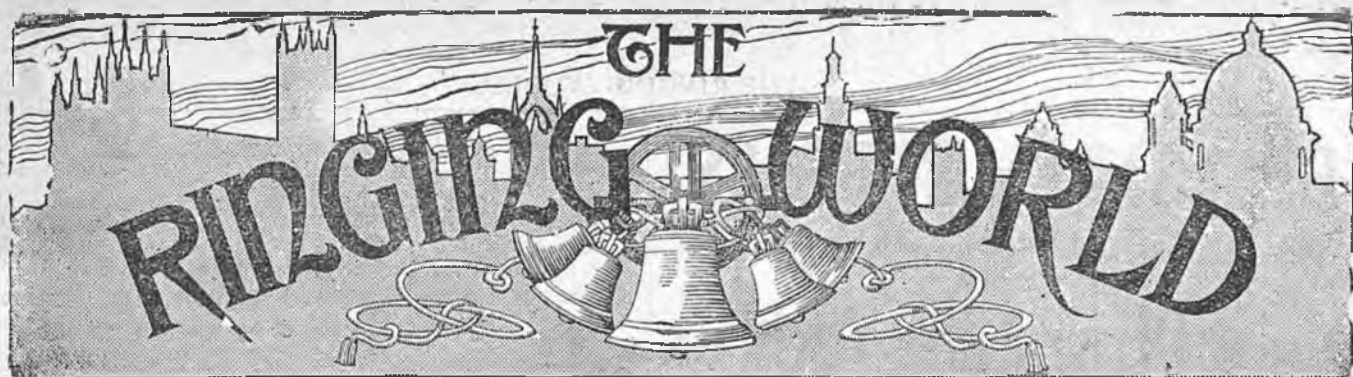
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## BELLS AND THE PUBLIC.

Periodically there breaks out in the columns of the Press protests against Church bell ringing, generally from people who feel they have a grievance on account of the noise of the bells. The latest of these attacks to be brought to our notice has developed at Portsmouth, where a correspondent in a local paper writes that the bells of St. Thomas' Church 'as rung recently are an abominable nuisance to me.' This writer endeavours to show that Church bell ringing is of pagan origin, and as such should be vetoed by the Christian Church. He also becomes facetious at the expense of 'Messrs. Grandsire, Stedman Triples and Bob Major.' The bells are finding a champion in Mr. Aitken, who will doubtless give a satisfactory answer to the complaints and the suggestions of 'Imperfect Peace.'

It is well that those who quarrel with the ringing of church bells at reasonable and appropriate times should have their public grumbles publicly replied to, but it is, as a rule, a mistake to treat these people, and especially those who write anonymously, too seriously. Not in every case, of course, but very frequently, they are people whose opposition to bells is only one way of expressing their general opposition to the Church. They do not love the Church, therefore they do not love the bells which belong to the Church—and that is the root of all the feeling which they bring into their letters to the newspapers. We do not know anything about the local circumstances in St. Thomas' parish, Portsmouth, except that the bells are a very fine peal of eight; but we venture to suggest that, if there is anything whatever in the complaint which is anonymously made in the Press, the writer might find quicker redress by going personally and in a reasonable spirit to the proper quarter to make his representations.

Whenever a person complains under the cloak of a newspaper nom-de-plume, the ringers should invite him (or her) to come out into the open. Then, if he has the courage of his convictions, or rather, perhaps, what he considers his infirmities, it would be possible to judge the bona fides of the complaint. Generally speaking there is very little backing in these objections to bells which crop up from time to time, but as a little spark may be fanned into a big flame, so these outbursts of an annoyed minority should be closely watched, and when shown to be genuinely based, met in a reasonable spirit. That is what, we believe, incumbents and ringers generally try to do, and in these days of a 'touchy' public it is wise to act thus. But the bells have their stated and proper occasions, and from their rightful use on these occasions those in authority should not recede one jot.

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On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Three Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 32 cwt.

J. MOTTS ... .. Treble	J. ROSE ... .. 7
A. S. BOAR ... .. 2	C. A. CATCHPOLE ... .. 8
E. EVANS ... .. 3	C. J. SEDGLEY ... .. 9
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R. H. BRUNDLE ... .. 5	W. GARRETT ... .. 11
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On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Mins.,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, REDCLIFFE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANCES;**

Tenor 50 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.

RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... .. Treble	GEORGE CONDUCK, JUN. ... .. 6
PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... .. 2	HENRY PRING ... .. 7
EDWIN J. RIELER ... .. 3	GEORGE CONDUCK, SEN. ... .. 8
ARTHUR E. WILKINS ... .. 4	JOHN A. BURFORD ... .. 9
ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. 5	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. 10
	WILLIAM H. THOMAS ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD. Conducted by J. A. BURFORD.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HECKINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, December 18, 1919, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

*MERRILL CLARK ... .. Treble	JOHN T. HOLMES ... .. 5
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 2	THOMAS T. HUMBERSTONE ... .. 6
WILLIAM DICKINSON ... .. 3	WALTER H. WOOD ... .. 7
CHRISTOPHER WARD ... .. 4	JOHN W. WOOD ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by JOHN W. WOOD.

\* First peal.

DEPTFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 20, 1919, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF COLLEGE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

*SIDNEY ANSTEAD ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN. ... .. 5
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... .. 2	HERBERT A. HOLDEN ... .. 6
HORACE BELCHER ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... .. 7
FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON ... .. 4	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. Tenor

Composed and conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

\* First peal of Major. The above method appeared in the 'Bell News' about five years ago in one of Mr. J. A. Trollope's articles, 'What is a Legitimate Method,' and is now rung for the first time.

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THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 24, 1919, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
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Tenor 25½ cwt.

JAMES N. FROSSELL ... .. Treble	ERNEST GOWER ... .. 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 6
ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 3	CAPT. J. R. MACKMAN ... .. 7
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by KEITH HART.



## STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At the Parish Church of SS. PETER and MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5043 CHANCES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

WILLIAM WELHAM ... .. Treble	FREDERICK ALLARD ... .. 5
*WALTER R. SPARROW ... .. 2	JOHN G. WADE ... .. 6
EDWARD E. DIAPER ... .. 3	ARTHUR GRIMWOOD ... .. 7
SHELFORD SPARROW ... .. 4	WILLIAM SOUTER... .. Tenor

Composed by B. ANNABLE.

Conducted by WILLIAM SOUTER.

\* First peal and first attempt.

## LONDON.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On St. Stephen's Day, December 26, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. STEPHEN, CLAPHAM PARK,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

HERBERT LANGDON ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. 5
WILLIAM S. LANGDON ... .. 2	CHARLES S. BURDEN... .. 6
FRANK BALL ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... .. 7
HORACE ADAMS ... .. 4	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM T. COCKERILL.

## EPSOM, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. MARTIN,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

GEORGE COOK ... .. Treble	ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 5
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 2	CHARLES E. READ ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN... .. 7
ALFRED L. BROWN ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by ARTHUR DEAN.

## UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of SS. PETER and PAUL,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*HENRY CHANCE... .. Treble	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 5
†WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 2	JAMES R. NEWMAN ... .. 6
†ERNEST E. BARBER ... .. 3	ERNEST GIBBS ... .. 7
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4	†CHARLES CANN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by CHARLES CANN.

\*First peal of Major. †First in the method away from treble. ‡First peal in the method. - This was the annual peal for the Association.

## NORTHWRAM, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. MATTHEW,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

ALBERT JAGGER ... .. Treble	JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. 5
FIRTH HOPWOOD ... .. 2	JOHN JOYCE... .. 6
ERNEST H. SIMPSON ... .. 3	†JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 7
*WILLIAM JOYCE ... .. 4	THOS. B. KENDALL ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by JOSEPH BROADLEY.

\* First peal of Bob Major. † First in the method as conductor.

## CRAYFORD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. PAULINUS,

## A PEAL OF UNION TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

SIDNEY ANSTEAD ... .. Treble	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. FLETCHER ... .. 2	FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN. ... .. 6
GEORGE POVEY ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. 7
HERBERT HOLDEN ... .. 4	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by E. BARNETT, JUN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to S. Anstead.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(St. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

LEONARD P. BAILEY ... .. Treble	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 5
ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. 2	ALLEN P. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 3	CHARLES SAMPSON ... .. 7
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 4	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## OXHEY, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. MATTHEW,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

†CECIL KAZER ... .. Treble	MAURICE HIBBERT ... .. 5
*HERBERT DIN ... .. 2	WILLIAM WHITEHEAD ... .. 6
CHARLES LEMAN ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... .. 7
WILLIAM HODGETTES... .. 4	*FRANK CHESTER... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman Triples.

## ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of St. DENYS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 23 cwt. 23 lb.

HAROLD HAMMOND ... .. Treble	ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. 5
WILLIAM WATTS... .. 2	CHARLES BRASIER ... .. 6
ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 3	KEITH HART... .. 7
ARTHUR R. MILLS ... .. 4	EDWIN BISHOP, SEN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

## HULL.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(EASTERN DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of Holy TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 25½ cwt.

JOHN W. SEAMER ... .. Treble	THOMAS S. MORTON ... .. 5
HARRY RODMELL... .. 2	LEONARD RODMELL ... .. 6
JOHN CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 3	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... .. 7
J. B. BUDD ... .. 4	WILLIAM AYRE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON.

Conducted by G. F. WILLIAMS.

## ERITH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN. Treble	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. CULLUM, SEN. 2	WILLIAM H. DAYNES... .. 6
*WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. 7
JOHN WHEADON... .. 4	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

\* First peal in method away from the treble.

## EPSOM, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and One Minute,

At Christ Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

DAVIES' FIVE-PART.

MISS NORA SHORTER... .. Treble	EDWARD T. GROVE ... .. 5
JOHN BEAMS... .. 2	CHARLES E. READ ... .. 6
R. LATHBURY ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS... .. 7
MISS VIOLET SHORTER ... .. 4	W. SHORTER... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN BEAMS.

## BEESTON, NOTTS.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM CLIFFORD, SEN. ... Treble	J. CHARLES DICKEN ... 5
ALBERT COPPOCK ... 2	FREDERICK S. PRICE ... 6
R. ALLEN HICKTON ... 3	PERCIVAL PRICE ... 7
*ALFRED B. MOSS ... 4	EDMUND C. CHASTY ... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

\* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the marriage of Florence Mary (Daisy) Lowe, elder daughter of Arthur Lowe, one of the Beeston band, to Herbert Underwood.

RUGBY, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

(THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

*ALFRED G. GRANT ... Treble	CHARLES W. WHEELER ... 5
JOSEPH A. FENTON ... 2	†ALBERT BRAMALL ... 6
WILLIAM TAYLER ... 3	WALTER MALINS ... 7
JOSEPH B. FENTON ... 4	*LESLIE BRAMALL ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by WALTER MALINS.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal of Stedman.

## ROCHESTER, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 26½ cwt.

THOMAS MANNERING ... Treble	F/Sgt. F. A. HOLDEN, R.A.F. ... 5
WILLIAM HAIGH ... 2	WILLIAM SPICE ... 6
*FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 3	WILLIAM J. WALKER ... 7
CHARLES WINNER ... 4	EDWARD A. G. ALLEN ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS MANNERING.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples. Rung on the anniversary of F/Sgt. F. A. Holden's 5th wedding day.

## MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHIAS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

HENRY CHANCE ... Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... 5
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... 2	ERNEST GIBBS ... 6
ERNEST E. BARBER ... 3	CHARLES CAMM ... 7
FREDERICK STANTON ... 4	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON.

Conducted by ROBERT G. KNOWLES.

This is the first peal in the method by all, also first peal in the method upon these bells.

## WALTHAMSTOW.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 16½ cwt. in E.

GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. ... Treble	ERNEST D. LILLYWHITE ... 5
HENRY RUMENS ... 2	ROBERT J. MAYNARD, JUN. ... 6
EDWIN F. PIKE ... 3	OLIVER L. TWIST ... 7
WALTER STEED ... 4	BARNARD PATMORE ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of the Conductor's eldest daughter, which took place on Christmas Day. First peal in the method by ringers of the 4th and 7th.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## DOULTING, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(FROME AND MIDSOMER NORTON DEANERY.)

On Boxing Day, December 26, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALDIELM.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

CYRIL S. WEBB ... Treble	ERNEST A. H. LANE ... 4
HERBERT E. WEBB ... 2	HERBERT WILCON ... 5
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 3	*ARTHUR GANE ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON.

\* First peal. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of deep respect to the late Vicar of Doulting (the Rev. J. Derbysire), who was interred the same day. The conductor hails from Erdington, Birmingham; the rest are local men.

## THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford.

Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES NUNN ... Treble	ALPHAEUS BERRY ... 4
WILLIAM ROSE ... 2	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE ... 5
WILLIAM CLOVER ... 3	LEONARD E. LAST ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

## MONK'S ELEIGH, SUFFOLK.

## THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Each 720 called differently.

Tenor 18 cwt.

HARRY WHYMARK ... Treble	FREDK. A. POULSON ... 4
ARTHUR SYMONDS ... 2	LEONARD HEAD ... 5
ARTHUR KEEBLE ... 3	WILLIAM STIFF ... Tenor

Conducted by W. STIFF.

The 2nd and 4th ringers hail from Lavenham.

## BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(ROSS DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, College Single and Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720's each of Single Oxford and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt.

ARTHUR WALTER POSTON ... Treble	ALLEN E. GWYNNE ... 4
JOHN BEVAN ... 2	JOHN CLARKE ... 5
JAMES BLAKE ... 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

First peal by ringer of treble.

## ROLLESTONE-ON-DOVE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Seven different 720's

Tenor 11½ cwt.

JOHN HOGGH, SEN. ... Treble	CHARLES SANDERS ... 4
JOHN H. SWINFELD ... 2	FRANK SHEPHERD ... 5
*JOHN HOGGH, JUN. ... 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

\* First peal. The band wish to express their deep gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. D'Aeth, who kindly entertained them after the peal.

**GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 8½ cwt.

† ERNEST J. NEWELL ... .. Treble	* FRANK CROFT ... .. 4
† ERNEST W. DAY ... .. 2	† HERBERT E. DAY ... .. 5
* ALFRED LINDSAY ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. CROFT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. CROFT.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal on six bells. The ringers of the 3rd and 4th were elected members of the Association previous to commencing.

**BREDONS NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)**

*On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 6½ cwt.

JAMES HEMMING ... .. Treble	JOHN WELLAND ... .. 4
WILLIAM NEED ... .. 2	* OLIVER ATTWOOD ... .. 5
HUBERT SALISBURY ... .. 3	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. J. JOHNSON.

\* First peal of Minor. After the peal the ringers were kindly entertained to tea by the Rev. F. C. Champion.

**STOWE-BY-CHARTLEY.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

*On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 42 six scores with ten different callings. Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM WILSON ... .. Treble	ALFRED MORETON ... .. 4
JOHN WARRILOW ... .. 2	JOHN J. TAYLOR ... .. 5
HAROLD W. JONES ... .. 3	* EDWIN COLLIER ... .. Tenor

\* First peal. First peal on the bells.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

**EDMONTON, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, December 12, 1919, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT 128, HERTFORD ROAD,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES,**

GROVES' VAR. OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

* WALTER J. BOWDEN ... 1-2	JOHN THOMAS ... .. 5-6
WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 3-4	* EDWARD H. KING ... .. 7-8

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

Witness: MRS. J. THOMAS.

\* First peal on handbells.

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT KING EDWARD VI. GRAMMAR SCHOOL,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	THOMAS W. RADFORD ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

*On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,  
IN THE MASTER'S PARLOUR AT THE ABBOT'S HOSPITAL,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.

CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 5-6
MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 3-4	MRS. CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: G. W. STEERE.

Witnesses: PHILLIP PALMER (Master of the above Hospital).

MISS PALMER, MRS. PULLING and ETHEL WOOD.

This peal was rung at the express wish of Mr. and Miss Palmer.

**JOHN TAYLOR & CO.,**

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## ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

For Rehangng, Retuning and Recasting.

Musical Handbells in sets, Bell Ropes, &c.

*At the Handbell Contest held annually in Manchester the First Prize for the last 16 years has been awarded to bands using our bells, and on fourteen of those occasions they have gained the Second Prize also.*

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Through the generosity of Colonel L. H. Hanbury, of Hitcham Grange, the parish church of St. Mary, Hitcham, now possesses a peal of six miniature bells, as well as a seventh bell used as a ' Sanctus.' The small tower was formerly thought too weak for a peal, but difficulties have been overcome and the bells have been dedicated by two Bishop of Buckingham.

Congratulations to the Leiston band, upon ringing their first peal of London Surprise. Even in these days, a 'first peal of London' by all the band is a rarity, and it is still a highly creditable performance. Leiston men, and particularly the brothers Bailey, are making things 'hum' in the Norwich Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Herbert, of Woburn, have just celebrated their golden wedding. Mr. Herbert was one of the founders of the Bedfordshire Association, in 1882, and is still one of its vice-presidents. Flight-Sergt. Fred Holden, who has recently been stationed in the Billington District has been transferred to the R.A.F. Staff College, at Cranwell, Lincs.

The Oxford Guild was never in such a flourishing financial position as at present. It was stated at a meeting last Saturday that the balance on the year's working was £47 15s. 5d., and the total worth of the Guild £186 12s.

On the completion of a short lunch for a peace celebration in a Shropshire Church recently, the foreman claimed fourpence from one of the company, home on short leave, who had forgotten to remove his spurs. The claim was made under the old rules of 1744, which are set out at length on a large stone in the tower, and say:-

Or if you ring in spur or halt,

Fore pence you must pay for that.

Mr. E. Maurice Atkins met with a cycle accident the other day, falling from his machine and dislocating his right shoulder. He is, happily, now making favourable progress.

It is interesting to record that after a lapse of thirty-five years another peal of Oxford Treble Bob Maximus has been rung at St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich.

During 1919 there were rung at St. Peter's Church, Curdridge, Hants, thirty-three 504's of Grandsire Triples, two 1260's, 110 six-scores of Steadman Doubles, one 720 and one 360 of Bob Minor.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## PRELIMINARY NOTICE

The third session of the tenth Council (28th meeting) will be held at Northampton on Whitsun Tuesday, 25th May, 1920. Notices of motion and any other matter for insertion in the list of agenda should reach me not later than Saturday, 24th April. Hon. secretaries of affiliated associations are requested to take notice that affiliation fees are now due and should be paid as soon as possible. I should feel obliged if they would also at the same time inform me of any change in the representatives of their association or of change of address of sitting members.

Members of Council are asked to bear in mind that as the Council has reverted to its original plan of publishing its notices, the clause in rule xii, laying down that it is not incumbent on the hon. secretary to send notices to individual members becomes again operative. Members will, therefore, not individually receive postal information as in the last few years, but full notices will be inserted in this paper according to the rules of the Council.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

Hon. Secretary,

8th January, 1920.

NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN.

The peal at Erith in which four fathers and four sons was, after all, not the first of its kind. Mr. T. E. Slater, of Hunt's Hill, Glemsford sends us the copy of two peal tablets which record peals rung by bands similarly composed. The first was a College Youths peal at St. George's, Middlesex, on Mar. 11th, 1822, which was 'the first complete peal of Grandsire Triples, consisting of 5040 changes, on these bells was performed in 3 hrs. and 25 mins., by four fathers and four sons: Thomas Gross treble, George Gross 2nd, John Merrin 3rd, Benj. Merrin 4th, James Stickbury 5th, James Stickbury 6th, Thomas Michael 7th, Thomas Michael tenor. Conducted by George Gross.'

A table in the belfry at Epsom, Surrey, records, "April 23rd 1866 was rung in this steeple a true six-part peal of Gradsire Triplets, containing 5040 changes, with 184 hobs and 46 singles, in 2 hrs. and 50 mins., the ringers being four fathers and their four eldest sons, stationed as follows: Thomas Miles, junr., treble, Thomas Miles, senr., 2nd, George Sayer, junr., 3rd, Thomas Gadd, junr., 4th, George Sayer, senr., 5th, Thomas Gadd, senr., 6th, John Davey, senr., 7th, John Davey, junr., tenor. Conducted by George Sayer, junr."

## THE FIRST 1920 DATE TOUCH.

One of the first 1920 Date Touches, if not the very first, was run on handbells at Long Stanton Vicarage on New Year's Day, being 480 of Little Bob Minor and two 720's of Bob Minor, in 39 mins., by W. H. J. Hooton (conductor) 1-2, J. B. Woolley 3-4, C. W. Woolley 5-6. —On December 28th, the same trio rang 1440 of Minor made up of a spliced 720 of Double Bob and Plain Bob, and a 720 of Plain Bob.



## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY.

BY AN ENTIRE OUTSIDER.

So the College Youths have decided to exclude lady members; and that in a year when all sex disqualifications have been legally removed, and when one woman has taken her seat in Parliament and others on the Bench of Magistrates. What are we to think of it? Is it bravery or cowardice? Is it a case of the old lady trying to keep back the Atlantic with a broom; or of the Seven Thousand in Israel who refuse to bow the knee to Baal? You may be sure that the society will be hotly condemned in all quarters. And yet it seems there is another side to the matter.

Mr. John Hawthorne leaned back in his easy chair and smoked for a minute or two in silence. Then he continued, 'The partisans of lady ringers consist entirely of fond fathers, lovers, sentimentalists, and leaders of bands who are hard put to it to find enough men for Sunday ringing. Take them away and you will find the Exercise has no particular liking for lady ringers.'

'But surely,' I said, 'it is only a stupid and unreasonable prejudice that is dying out.'

'Prejudice, I grant you,' he answered, 'and unreasonable, and perhaps dying; but stupid—no. I should call it a rather subtle form of the struggle for existence. Your male ringer has a prevision of the coming time when he will be squeezed out of the belfry altogether. Not that I, personally, object to lady ringers as ringers. But I do like good striking.'

'The inference being—' I began.

'You can draw your own inferences,' he interrupted, 'and then the responsibility will not be mine.'

'But surely,' I objected, 'some ladies can strike. What about Miss Palmer? She rings and strikes Surprise methods as well as you could expect of any man.'

'One swallow does not make a summer,' he replied, 'and of course there are exceptions. Do you expect us to be logical in our prejudices? All the same, I do not think the College Youths have handled the matter in the dearest manner. If I'd had the ordering of the matter I should have said nothing about sex. I should simply have made a rule that nobody could become a member of any society unless he or she could ring rounds properly.'

'That's very drastic,' I said.

'Very drastic and also very effective,' he replied. 'Not only would it get rid of the present trouble, but I calculate that it would reduce the Exercise to three-sixteenths of its present size. Of course, there would be a lot of anger and bad language among the rejected. They would probably go and ring peals of Stedman Triples and London Surprise Major to pretend they were really ringers. But it would be worth it. We that were left would get some decent ringing.'

'Should we be left?' I queried.

'He did not reply directly, but helped himself to some more beer. 'No. I am afraid the College Youths have not handled the matter in the best way. They mean well, but they will fail. The old women will no doubt keep the young women out for a time; but in the long run they'll find the young ones too strong for them. I don't expect to see a female Archbishop of Canterbury in my time, the obstacles are rather many. A she Prime Minister is more likely, and I shall be surprised if we shan't have, before long, a "mistress" presiding at the Coffee Pot, and calling Stedman Cinques from the eleventh at Saint Paul's.'

## DEATH OF MR. H. H. BARNBY.

We regret to record the death of another young and promising ringer, in the person of Mr. Henry H. Barnby, who passed away on New Year's Eve, at the early age of 25. The deceased was a member of the College Youths and the London County Association, and a member of St. Leonard's, Streatham, band. He was well known in a large number of London belfries, and had rung in nearly 100 towers in all parts of England.

## A MIDNIGHT QUARTER.

At the Priory Church, Dunstable, Beds, on New Year's Eve, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 50 mins., the bells running into rounds on the stroke of midnight: F. Ramsey (1st quarter-peal) 1, Canon W. W. C. Baker 2, R. Harris 3, C. E. King 4, F. Baldock 5, A. E. Sharman (conductor) 6, G. Heley 7, C. T. King 8. It is also interesting to note that this was the first quarter-peal ever rung in Dunstable by an entirely local band.

## 'LONG TEN.'

To the Editor.

Sir,—The first lead of Plain Bob Doubles, given by Mr. W. J. Fuller in your issue of January 9th, is not the 'long ten' to which I referred. It is the first lead of Grandsire, as I said before: in which it so happens that after leading each bell follows each of the others in regular rotation all round. What Mr. Fuller gives does not fulfil this condition. The Grandsire 'long ten' is simply repeated for an unlimited number of times, and when the conductor considers that they have had enough of it, it is jumped into rounds, or an extra change 12354 inserted to bring the bells round.—Yours, J. R. JERRAM.

## SURPRISE METHODS.

THE CROSS SECTION.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I am much interested in the question regarding Bristol Surprise raised by Mr. John Carter, and in your last leading article, but quite disagree with the statement that the passing of the treble from 7—8 up to 7—8 down is a cross section, 'no more and no less.' Certainly, and to my mind unfortunately, it is not required that the working bells should cross in plain course order at the half lead which permits an internal place at this point, but even when this occurs it is different to a cross section.

Let it be granted, however, that what applies to the crossing when the treble leads, also applies when the treble lies behind. Mr. Carter does not seem to differentiate, and the two positions are actually equal, except that plain course order at the latter point is not insisted on. Then these two positions are distinct from a cross section, because here the treble separates from the working bells, and hunts alone (leading or lying), while the working bells are also plain hunting as a separate entity.

This is clearly illustrated in plain Bob Major, which has a pure plain course with a fixed treble. In it there is nothing whatever but plain hunting, for when the treble leads (i.e., hunts separately), the working bells merely alter their plain hunting order by the front bell leading over the treble, instead of the other extreme lying behind.

They are again different to a cross section, for in every method, at these points, the work is fixed and unalterable, nothing being permitted but the plain hunting of the working bells, and the treble. As a matter of fact, they are the dominating features of every plain course, whether with a plain or dodging hunt. It is essential that the bells shall pass from one lead to the next in plain course order, and this cannot be so if an internal place is made. Experiment will prove that there can be nothing but leading or lying whole pulls if the coursing order is to be retained unaltered. Therefore, no internal place may be made when the treble is leading full. Although the second's place at the lead end crossing is between the treble and the remainder of the working bells, it is in theory the extreme working bell leading a whole pull, and may be exchanged for a whole pull behind by the other extreme bell without altering the coursing order.

It follows that the second's place and a whole pull behind are equal both being part of the plain hunting of the working bells, and the reverse of each other.

This plain hunting with the treble leading full, being a feature of every method, cannot affect the classification. Methods only differ by the places made within the lead, therefore these places only define the class to which a method belongs.

The Rev. E. Bankes James' system has removed the obstacles to exact classification, and now is the time to make the terms of the definitions quite clear to the general body of ringers.

In conclusion, it may be remarked that Mr. Carter's guide 'Superlative' has the bells crossing at the half lead in plain course order. Wherever this is so the method has four variations, produced by varying the plain hunting of the working bells when the treble is behind or in front. In the case of Superlative three of these variations are usable, viz., the double method with 7ths and 2nds, and the two single methods with a whole pull in front at the half lead and 2nds at the lead end, and vice versa. All of these, of course, have exactly the same changes in the plain course, undisturbed in full half leads, these half leads merely occurring in different order. The fourth variation, with a whole pull in front at the half lead, and a whole pull behind at the lead end, comes round at the first lead end.

It will be interesting to learn how Mr. Carter proposes to classify the three usable variations.—Yours faithfully,

Sunderland.

JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Sir,—As long as Mr. Carter is content with making assertions, unsupported by argument, I have no more to say. If he will kindly answer the two questions that I asked him in my last letter I may enter further into the matter.—Yours,

E. BANKES JAMES.

## INSTALLATION ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED.

The 28th anniversary of the installation of the bells of St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ospringe, near Faversham, was marked on December 21st by the ringing of six six-peals of Grandsire Doubles for mourning service by the local band and members of the Kent County Association: S. Croucher 1, J. Lane 2, C. Farnsworth 3, S. R. Garner 4, H. Baker (conductor) 5, W. Croucher 6, A. Neve 7, F. Leonard 8. In addition, another 120 in the same method was also rung.

## FRED DAVIS FUND.

In response to the appeal on behalf of the dependents of the late Frederick Davis, of Peckham and Kingston, the following additional subscriptions have been received: Amount already acknowledged, £10 19s. 6d.; Mrs. J. Bush, £1; Mr. C. Hobbome, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. Groutage, 10s.; Mr. S. Groutage, 10s.; Mr. Shudwick, 5s.; Mr. Parker, 5s.; Uncle Davis, 5s.; total, £13 17s.

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**UNBROKEN SERVICE.**

In connection with the paragraph last week recording the unbroken association of a band at Newchurch, Lancs. for 30 years, another long connection between ringers has come to light from Glemsford, Suffolk. At this church, the following rang regularly together from 1872 to 1908: Samuel Slater, Frederick Wells, Charles Honeywell, Zachariah Slater and Charles Adams. The last named was sexton for 47 years. Messrs. Wells and Honeywell also rang a peal of Kent Treble Don Major with three generations of Slaters, viz., John Slater, his son Samuel Slater, and, lastly, on July 7th, 1906, with his grandson Theodore E. Slater, who sends us this information.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

The December meeting of the Western District was held at Hunslet, when about 30 members attended, representing twelve towers. The bells were well utilised during the afternoon and evening, several methods being rung. Mr. Bolland presided over the business meeting, supported by the Rev. C. Gallagher (Vicar of Hunslet), Miss Naylor, of Burley, was elected a member of the Association. It was decided to ask Birstall for permission to hold the annual meeting there in March.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and wardens for the use of the bells.—The Vicar, in replying, said how much the clergy and wardens appreciated the work of the ringers, and how pleased he was that his bells were rung during the war. He also thanked the visitors (especially the Leeds Parish Church company) for assisting them during that critical period. He hoped it would not be long before they would have another meeting at Hunslet.

Mr. Johnson moved a vote of thanks to the local company for making the necessary arrangements, also to the ladies who assisted with the tea.—This was seconded by Mr. Barker, of Pontefract, and carried.—Mr. J. R. Kemp, of the local band, replied.—The tower was again visited; a well-struck touch of Stedman Triples terminated the meeting.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.****GAINSBOROUGH DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the Gainsborough District of the Lincoln Guild was held at Gainsborough on Saturday last, and was well attended, a large gathering of ringers being present from Stow (including lady members), Corringham, Scotter, Bigby, Scunthorpe and Workop, in addition to the local company. The bells of the Parish Church were available during the afternoon and evening, and kept going to the standard methods. Tea was provided at 6, Spital Terrace, and followed by the business meeting, at which the Rev. J. Barber (Rector of Stow) presided.

The whole of the officers were re-elected for the ensuing twelve months, and the places selected for district meetings were as follows: Corringham, April 10th; Stow, May 8th; Briggs, June 5th; Messingham, July 10th; Kilton Lindsey, August 14th; Gainsborough (annual meeting), January 8th, 1921. It was decided to try and make Stow and Briggs combined meetings of the Lincoln and Grimsby districts respectively.

Votes of thanks to Canon Standen for the use of the bells, the Rev. J. Barber for presiding at the meeting, Mr. and Mrs. T. Whelpton for the excellent spread they had provided, and others who had helped to make the gathering a success, concluded the business, after which further ringing took place until the visitors' time of departure, and a very pleasant meeting brought to a close.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
SUCCESS OF FIVE-BELL TOWER MEETING.**

A district meeting of the Archdeaconry of Ely branch was held at Fen Ditton, near Cambridge, on Saturday week. About 25 ringers were present from Saffron Walden, Ickleton, Great Chesterford, Sawston, Stapleford, Fulbourn, Cambridge, Dry Drayton, and Fen Ditton. Ringing on the five church bells commenced between two and three o'clock, and continued at intervals until five o'clock, when the Association's form of service was held in the church, conducted by the Rector, the Rev. G. R. Christie, who also gave a very able and interesting address. At the conclusion of the service, the ringers proceeded to the Rectory, where a splendid tea was provided by the Rector. At the business meeting which followed, Swaffham Prior was selected as the place of the next meeting. Twelve new members were elected, including nine of the Fen Ditton ringers. The Rector also joined as an honorary member. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for granting the use of the bells, for conducting the service, and for his generosity in providing tea. Cigarettes and tobacco were handed round, and handbell ringing took place, courses of Grandsire Triples and Caters, and Bob Major being accomplished. Ringing on the tower bells was continued until about eight o'clock.

This is the first meeting that has been held at a five-bell tower for several years, and it was very encouraging to see such a good attendance. The bells are a minor five, and hopes are entertained that an additional bell may be provided in the near future.

**NOTICES.**

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—(Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Jan. 22nd; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 27th; all at 7.30 p.m. \* Business afterwards at Headquarters. Notice of motion re Rules 3 and 7 has been given for Jan. 27th. The sum of 1/8, which entitles members who have not attended 20 times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due.—William T. Cockett (Hon. Sec.), 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—A practice for 'Surprise Methods' only will be held at Twyford, Berks, on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Even-song, 6 p.m., after which ringing will be resumed. Tea at 5, at 1/- per head, to all those who notify Mr. F. Dentry, Church Street, Twyford.—R. T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Late the St. James' Society (Estab. 1824).—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 17th, at St. Giles', Camberwell. Tower open from 3 p.m. Service in the church, 5 p.m. Tea kindly given by the Vicar, Rev. H. Lindsay, in St. Giles' Hall, near the Green, at 5.45 p.m. Business meeting, election of officers, etc., at 6.45. Tower open again after.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. James, Waterfoot (-ix bell tower), on Saturday, Jan. 17th, 1920. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is earnestly requested. Subscriptions are now due.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 17th, at Heywood. St. Luke's bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6. Reports are now ready.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Stourbridge (St. Thomas) on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Service in the Church at 5 p.m.; business meeting to follow. Tea will be provided for all members who let me know on or before Wednesday, Jan. 14th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. All members are cordially invited.—E. J. Dowler, 11, St. Edward's Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at North Wingfield on Saturday afternoon, 17th January. Ringing from 2 o'clock; committee meeting, 4 o'clock; tea, 5 o'clock, at 1/3 per head. General meeting after tea. Notice of any proposed alteration to Rules should reach me before this meeting.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Grantham on Saturday, January 17th. St. Wulfrum's bells (10) available 1 to 8 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m. at Cook's Temperance Hotel, Westgate.—S. Proctor, Sec., 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

**WATFORD PARISH CHURCH.**—The dedication by the Archdeacon of St. Albans of the Ring of Eight recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston will take place on Saturday, 17th January. Service at 3 p.m. Tea at St. Mary's Hall for clergy and ringers at 4 o'clock.



Will ringers who intend to be present kindly inform the Vicar at St. Mary's, Watford, to this effect? They are heartily welcome.—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Hertford County Association, Duffield, St. Albans.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The annual branch meeting will be held at the Cathedral (Manchester) on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells available 4.30. Meeting at 7. Business: Election of branch representatives. Reports ready. Subscriptions due.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec., 103, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Rugby on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock. — Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Chorley, on Jan. 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec., 98, Victoria Road, Walton-le-Dale.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James', Waterfoot, on Saturday, Jan. 17th (six bell tower). Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 7 o'clock. Subscriptions are due. Annual reports to hand.—John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Anne's, Highgate, on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bells available from 4 p.m. till 8 p.m. Business meeting, including election of officers, afterwards. A good attendance is requested. — F. G. Symonds, Hon. District Sec., 157, High Street, Camden Town, N.W.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**—Established 1755.—Annual meeting will be held at St. Martin's Hotel, St. Martin's Lane, Birmingham, on Tuesday, January 20th, 1920. Alderman J. S. Prichett, M.A., B.C.L., in the chair. Ringing at St. Martin's, 6.30. Business, 7.30. All subscriptions are due at this meeting.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on Saturday, January 24th, 1920. Tower open 3 p.m. Service, 5.30. Tea in the Parish Hall at 6 p.m. Will members please notify me if they intend being present at the tea?—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., 25, Winchester Avenue, Broudesbury, N.W.6.

**WORCESTERHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Droitwich, on Saturday, Jan. 24th. Service at 4 o'clock prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea will be provided.—R. G. Knowles, Branch Sec.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid-Devon Branch.—A meeting will be held at Torquay (Upton Church), Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Short service at 4.30, followed by tea. Will those intending to be present let me know not later than Jan. 19th?—W. C. Wakley, Bella Vista, Teignmouth.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—The annual meeting will be held at Southgate on Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30 o'clock. Tea, at the Cherry Tree, at 6 o'clock, fol-

lowed by the business meeting. Will all requiring tea please advise me by the 20th inst.? Members and friends invited.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Long Ashton on Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells available 2.30. Divine service 4 o'clock. Tea at the Church House at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow. Those who require tea kindly let me know by Tuesday, Jan. 20th.—George Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Ely.—Practices will be held at Whittlesford, 6 bells, on Saturday, Jan. 24th, and at Ickleton, 6 bells, on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells available afternoon and evening. A good attendance is desired.—A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Gt. Shelford, Cambs.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting of the Central District will be held at All Saints', Benilton, Sutton, on Saturday, Jan. 24th. The bells will be available from 3 to 9 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea in School Room at 5 p.m. Will those intending to be present at the tea kindly advise Mr. W. Hodges, 265, High Street, Sutton?—Chas. Dean, Hon. Sec., 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at York on Jan. 31st. The bells at the Minster (12) and Clifton (6), also Bishophill (6) will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. All applications for tea, for which a charge of 1s. 6d. per head will be made, must be sent to Mr. G. Horner, 16, Clifton Green, York, not later than first post Jan. 27th. Divine service in the Minster at 4 p.m., at which the Rev. Canon C. C. Bell will preach.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A branch meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Reports ready.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Important Notice.—A district meeting will be held at Colchester, on Jan. 31st. St. Peter's (8), All Saints' (5). Bells available from 2.30; Short service with address 4.30. Tea at a moderate charge will be served in St. Peter's Parish Room followed by business meeting. Members in this division are specially requested to attend as the district officers for the newly-formed division will be appointed. Those who intend to be present please notify me not later than Jan. 27th first post. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due.—B. Redgwell, Rayne St., near Braintree.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Greenwich, on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service and address by the Rev. F. J. Tackley (Vicar), at 5.30 p.m. Tea 1/- per head at Burton's Restaurant, Nelson St., but names must reach me not later than Tuesday, 27th. Business meeting to follow. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due and should be paid at this meeting.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Dis. Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**HEREFORD GUILD.**—Clifford District.—The annual meeting will be held at Clifford, Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells (8) ready 2 p.m. Service 5.30, tea 6 p.m. Please advise me by 27th.—J. P. Hyett, Dis. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cary Deanery.—The annual meeting will be held at Castle Cary on Jan. 31st. Bells available from 2.30 till 9 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at the Vicarage at 5. Those requiring tea kindly let me know by Tuesday, 27th.—Ernest F. Creed, Castle Cary, Hon. Sec.



**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The annual branch meeting will take place at Swindon on Saturday, Jan. 31st. The Parish Church and St. Mark's bells will be available. Further particulars next week.—H. W. Bishop, Branch Sec.

**ACTON, LONDON, W.**—The weekly ringing practice will be held in future on Thursday evenings from 7.30 to 9, at St. Mary's Parish Church.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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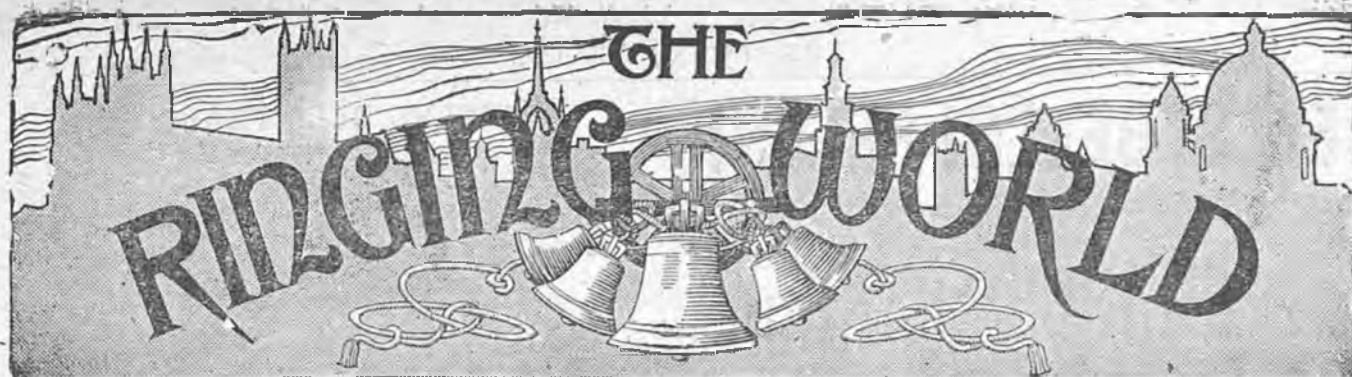
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## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### AN APPEAL COURT.

The proposal which we made in this column a fortnight ago, half in jest, that the Central Council might set up a Court of Appeal to decide questions of a theoretical kind, seems to have raised unexpected interest in one or two quarters; and upon examination there does really seem to be something to be said for the idea. On the other hand, the science of ringing is a serious matter, and as there would be an element of burlesque in setting up such a tribunal and conducting proceedings before it, it is hardly to be expected that so sedate a body as the Central Council would favour the scheme. All the same, some body with more delegated authority than any committee now in existence appears to be necessary to settle contentious points.

In a letter elsewhere, Mr. J. A. Trollope suggests that there is already a Court of Appeal in the Exercise itself. That is true in much the same way that the final court of appeal in this or any civilised country is, or should be, to public opinion; but, even so, it is necessary to have a bench of judges to interpret and administer the laws which public opinion, through Parliament, have set up. It is not difficult to draw an analogy in connection with ringing affairs. There are decisions by the representative assembly of ringers which experts interpret differently, and it needs some kind of tribunal to settle the differences and to say who is right and who is wrong.

One of the drawbacks of legislation on theoretical matters has been the fact that in the past the experts often have failed to agree, and neither side has been prepared to accept the views of the other. That was illustrated not long ago by the 'Lead-ends' controversy. Now we have an equally strong disagreement between men of high repute upon the subject of what constitutes a Surprise method. These instances could, of course, be multiplied, but they are quite sufficient to show that work could well be found for a tribunal of the kind mentioned. Whether such a 'court' is ever likely to be established is doubtful, and discussion on procedure is valueless until some sort of scheme is put forward in authoritative quarters. Whether, if established, the tribunal would be more effective in convincing the Exercise than the present committee of the Central Council, would depend to a great extent upon the personnel and the methods by which it conducted its inquiry. But this much is certain, to be of use it would have to be composed of men who command the confidence of the Exercise, and its decisions would have to be arrived at by some shorter method than an interminable correspondence in which the parties wander off into bypaths that lead to nowhere and only confuse the issue.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, January 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5017 CHANCES;**

Tenor 37½ cwt.

ERNEST E. FERRY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM STORY ... .. 7
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE ... 2	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 8
JOSEPH ROWELL ... .. 3	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 9
WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 10
WILLIAM W. SINCLAIR ... 5	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 11
ASA HOLMES ... .. 6	BENJAMIN C. DIXON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES.

Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD, SHOREDITCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANCES;**

Tenor 28 cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR J. NEALE ... .. 7
BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. 2	HUGH T. SCARLETT ... .. 8
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... 3	GEORGE CARD ... .. 9
THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 4	*RICHARD N. RUNHAM ... 10
*PERCY TIMSON ... .. 5	FRANK SMITH ... .. 11
*ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 6	EDGAR WIGHTMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.

\* First attempt for a 12-bell peal.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

PAISWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAISWICK YOUTHS.

On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANCES**

Tenor 26 cwt.

THOMAS WRIGHT ... .. Treble	ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6
THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. 2	HUBERT SCRIVENS ... .. 7
WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. 3	CHARLES GARDINER ... .. 8
FRANK COLE ... .. 4	JOHN BALINGER ... .. 9
WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 5	ALBERT HANKS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHT. Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANCES;**

GILBERT GUEST ... .. Treble	HERBERT SHEPPARD ... .. 6
BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. 2	SAMUEL J. HUGHES ... .. 7
*MISS S. PIGGOTT ... .. 3	WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 8
SAMUEL BAKER ... .. 4	JOHN GOODMAN, JUN. ... 9
JOHN GOODMAN, SEN. ... 5	BENJAMIN FULLWOOD ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late WILLIAM MICKLEWRIGHT.

Conducted by JOHN GOODMAN, JUN.

This is Miss Pigott's first peal of Grandsire Caters and was rung at the first attempt. The peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. John Goodman, sen., who was heartily congratulated by the band.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LEDENBRIDGE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

RICHARD JENNER ... .. Treble	ERNEST LEIGH ... .. 5
JOHN W. STEDDY ... .. 2	THOMAS WALLIS ... .. 6
JAMES HEASMAN ... .. 3	GEORGE MALGAR ... .. 7
ALBERT BELTON ... .. 4	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. Tenor

Composed by the late H. DAINS. Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE.



WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Monday, December 29, 1919, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

*HECTOR WM. CRICKMER ... Treble	CHARLES E. LOVETT ... 5
DAVID COLLINS ... 2	GEORGE STANNARD ... 6
WILLIAM G. CRICKMER ... 3	HARRY HALL ... 7
*SIDNEY ROGERS ... 4	EDWARD JENKINS ... Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON.  
Conducted by WM. G. CRICKMER.

\* First peal.

DEPTFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ST. JOHN'S SOCIETY, DEPTFORD.)

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

**A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5049 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 14 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lb.

ROBERT A. FOSDIKE ... Treble	*HARRY J. NORGATE ... 5
EDWIN J. PANNETT ... 2	ALBERT E. GODDARD ... 6
JOSEPH LAW ... 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... 7
FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON ... 4	HORACE BELCHER ... Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON.

\* First peal away from the tenor. Quickest peal on the bells.  
Rung for the Watch-night Service and on the 45th anniversary of the dedication of the bells.

LUTON, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. MARY'S SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.

FREDERICK HUNT ... Treble	HARRY WOOD ... 5
THOS. BLACKBURN ... 2	WALTER PAYNE ... 6
ALFRED KING ... 3	L. A. GOODENOUGH ... 7
BERT WOOD ... 4	ARTHUR ROKWOOD ... Tenor

Conducted by L. A. GOODENOUGH.

Rung for the Watch-night Service, also as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Herbert, of Woburn, who celebrated their golden wedding on December 23rd, and a welcome to ringers of 6 and 8 recently demobilised.

SAMLESBURY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(PRESTON BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD-THE-LESS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.

ARTHUR BAILEY ... Treble	JAMES ARMSTRONG ... 5
*NORMAN ALMOND ... 2	ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG ... 6
E. ROGER MARTIN ... 3	EDWARD ARMSTRONG ... 7
JOHN BAILEY ... 4	RICHARD BROUGHTON ... Tenor

Composed by EDWIN TIMBRELL. Conducted by E. R. MARTIN.

\* First attempt for a peal, and was elected a member previous to starting. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the memory of John Taylor, a member of the local company, who was accidentally killed in France on December 22nd, 1918.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

*BERNARD ALLSOP ... Treble	JAMES L. WRIGHT ... 5
WILLIAM TAYLOR ... 2	*EDWIN BLACKWELL ... 6
†HENRY GREGORY ... 3	JOHN SIDDALL, SEN. ... 7
THOMAS WHITE ... 4	ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALFRED C. WRIGHT.

\* First peal of Major. † 50th peal. Rung with clappers half-muffled. † First peal in the method.

ASHTED, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

DAVIES' FIVE-PART.

DAVID ANSCOMBE ... Treble	WILLIAM COOK ... 5
JOHN BEAMS ... 2	GEORGE COOK ... 6
WILLIAM H. CORBETT ... 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... 7
EDWARD T. GROVE ... 4	JOHN HOYLE ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN BEAMS.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 25½ cwt.

ALBERT D. STONE ... Treble	ALFRED J. TURNER ... 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... 2	WILLIAM C. HART ... 6
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ... 3	KEITH HART ... 7
ERNEST GOWER ... 4	CAPT. J. R. MACKMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

Rung half-muffled for the old year.

HARLOW COMMON.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE DENT ... Treble	WILLIAM WHEELER ... 5
*LEWIS CORDELL ... 2	BENJAMIN COPPEN ... 6
VINCENT TIPTON ... 3	JOHN CORDELL ... 7
STANLEY CLARK ... 4	HARRY SMALL ... Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by HARRY SMALL.

\* First peal. The ringers of 3 and 4 are fourteen and sixteen years of age, and this was their first peal in the method, rung at the second attempt, the first attempt coming to grief on Boxing Day owing to a 'shift' in the last course. Great credit is due to them for the way they rang their bells. First peal as conductor.

HULL.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(EASTERN DISTRICT.)

On Thursday, January 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

*JOHN H. HOWELL ... Treble	GEORGE T. MILLER ... 5
HARRY RODMELL ... 2	LEONARD RODMELL ... 6
†JOHN CHAMBERLAIN ... 3	WALTER AYRE ... 7
THOMAS S. MORTON ... 4	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... Tenor

Composed by GEO. F. WILLIAMS. Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal. † First peal of Bob Major. First peal in the method as conductor.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

WALTHAM-ON-THE-WOLDS, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob, Single Court and Oxford Bob, and one 720 of Plain-Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

RICHARD MOUNT ... Treble	WILLIAM E. WHITE ... 4
WALTER WHITE ... 2	SYDNEY PROCTOR ... 5
REV. C. J. STURTON ... 3	THOMAS SQUIRES ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER WHITE.

The ringers of 2, 4 and tenor are from Cotgrave, 3 from Orston, 5 from Grantham and treble from Waltham.

WANSTROW, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(FROME AND MIDSOMER NORTON DEANERY.)

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

CYRIL S. WEBB ... .. Treble	ERNEST A. H. LANE ... .. 4
HERBERT E. WEBB ... .. 2	HERBERT WILCOX ... .. 5
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 3	ARTHUR GANE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON.

First peal on the bells, and rung as a welcome home to the returned soldiers and sailors.

DINDER, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(FROME AND MIDSOMER NORTON DEANERY.)

On Tuesday, December 30, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT E. WEBB ... .. Treble	† CYRIL S. WEBB ... .. 4
* CLARENCE F. VEASEY ... 2	JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 5
* SIDNEY J. HILLIARD ... 3	* EDWARD JENKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON.

\* First peal. † First peal inside. First peal on the bells, and rung as a welcome home to the returned soldiers and sailors of the village. The ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking most heartily Squire Summerville, of Dinder House, for his generosity, and the Rev. Prebendary and Mrs. McClean, who entertained them to tea at the Vicarage after the peal.

CITY OF OXFORD.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(OXFORD SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Ebbe.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Single Bob, Kent College Single and Plain Bob.

FRANK BECKETT ... .. Treble	FREDERICK T. CLINKHARD 4
FRANCIS E. TAYLOR ... .. 2	WILLIAM HARRIS ... .. 5
CHARLES COLES ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS ... Tenor

Conducted by W. H. B. WILKINS.

The above peal was rung half-muffled for the midnight Watch Service.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Margaret.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 20 each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, and College Single, and two 720's each of Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure.

Tenor 20 cwt.

RICHARD HOPE ... .. Treble	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN. ... 4
MAURICE FOREMAN ... .. 2	JAMES WAGHORN ... .. 5
FREDK. J. LAMBERT, JUN. ... 3	ALBERT RELFE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the treble and 2nd.

**FIVE BELL PEAL.**

ORLINGBURY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 29, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES,**

Comprising 42 six scores, each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

MAURICE KNOWLES ... .. Treble	TOM BUTLER ... .. 3
SAM BUTLER ... .. 2	FREDERICK WYANT ... .. 4
FRANK FOX ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by TOM BUTLER.

First peal by a resident band, also first peal on the bells after being rehung and retuned by Messrs. Gillett & Johnston of Croydon.

The following peals were rung during a 'week's' visit to Guildford:

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, December 30, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At King Edward VI. Grammar School.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Size 18 in G.

CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. A. H. PULLING.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At St. Michael's, Joseph Road.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Size 13½ in Eb.

RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 5-6
CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 3-4	MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At 160, Woking Road.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor size 18 in G.

ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3-4	* MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

\* First peal of Stedman.

Umpire: C. HAZELDEN.

Witnesses: MRS. SMITHER, MRS. PULLING and E. WOOD.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, December 31, 1919, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of Holy Trinity.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. Treble	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5
CHARLES N. BURDOCK ... .. 2	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 7
JOHN T. SCOTT ... .. 4	JOHN H. B. HESSE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled for the Watch-night service.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, January 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At St. Michael's, Joseph's Road.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Size 18 in G.

RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 1-2	REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: CHARLES HAZELDEN. Witness: A. E. WILKINS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor's sister, Miss A. Pulling.

ASSTEAD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Giles.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

* ARTHUR E. WILKINS ... Treble	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 2	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. 7
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... 4	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Major. This was A. H. Winch's 50th peal on the bells.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, January 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
At the King Edward VI. Grammar School.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANCES;

Size 13½ in E flat.

ARTHUR E. WILKINS ...	1—2	REV. E. BANKES JAMES ...	5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ...	3—4	*CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY ...	7—8

Composed by FREDERICK A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: RUPERT RICHARDSON. Witness: MRS. H. PULLING.

\* First peal on eight bells.

DORKING, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, January 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Martin.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

ARTHUR E. WILKINS ...	Treble	RUPERT RICHARDSON ...	5
ALFRED H. WINCH ...	2	REV. E. BANKES JAMES ...	6
GEORGE MARRINER ...	3	ALFRED H. PULLING ...	7
JOHN H. WHITE ...	4	WILLIAM LYNCH ...	Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

This was G. Marriner's 50th peal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, January 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,  
At King Edward VI. Grammar School.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 13½ in E flat.

RUPERT RICHARDSON ...	1—2	REV. E. BANKES JAMES ...	5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ...	3—4	*CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY ...	7—8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MRS. PULLING and A. E. WILKINS.

\* First peal of Triples. The ringers take this opportunity of congratulating Master C. W. Woolley on his fine performance in both peals.

TEDDINGTON, MIDDLESEX.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, January 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,  
At 16, COLESHILL ROAD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 21 in D.

ARTHUR E. WILKINS ...	1—2	ALFRED H. PULLING ...	5—6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ...	3—4	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ...	7—8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MRS. DOBBIE and MRS. PULLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor's sister, Miss L. Pulling.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
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On Wednesday, January 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANCES;

Tenor 23 cwt. in E.

ARTHUR E. WILKINS ...	Treble	MAURICE SMITHER ...	6
REV. CANON G. F. COLERIDGE ...	2	JOHN H. B. HESSE ...	7
THOMAS W. RADFORD ...	3	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ...	8
JOHN W. STEDDY ...	4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ...	9
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ...	5	ALFRED H. PULLING ...	Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

FRED DAVIS FUND.

In response to the appeal on behalf of the dependents of the late Frederick Davis, of Peckham and Kingston, the following additional subscriptions have been received: Amount already acknowledged, £13 17s.; Sergt. James E. Davis, 21 Is.; Mrs. James E. Davis, 5s.; Mrs. Hall, 10s. Collected by Mr. W. G. Hills, of Welling, Kent: Mrs. W. G. Hills, 10s.; Mr. E. J. Elgood, 2s. 6d.; Mr. E. Miller, 2s. 6d.; Messrs. Miller and Golsby, 2s. 6d.; Mr. S. C. Davis, 2s. 6d.; Mr. C. H. F. Cole, 2s. 6d.; Mr. M. B. Mays, 2s. 6d.; Mr. T. A. Pearman, 2s. 6d.; Messrs. Garrett and Co., 2s. 6d.; Mr. S. Knowles, 5s.; Mr. F. A. Harman, 3s. 6d.; Mr. R. Lane, 2s. 6d.; Mr. G. Gerrish, 5s.; Mr. R. K. Thorpe, 10s.; total, £18 9s. Will intending subscribers kindly note that this fund will definitely close on January 31st, the final list being published on February 7th? Will your name be found there? Send along now!

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

In connection with the funeral of the late Mr. G. W. Bemrose, at Bolsover, it should have been mentioned that among the wreaths was one sent by the Midland Counties Association, of which deceased was a valued member.

'Something new under the sun!' A brothers' 12-bell peal. Six of the Leiston Baileys have scored a peal of Kent Maximus 'in hand,' the first time such a thing has been done, and so there is something new under the sun. It wasn't altogether unexpected either, for those who have watched the brotherly peals, first at Major and then of Royal, have seen this coming. Congratulations again.

A peal report has been sent from Worsley, Lancs, without the name of the method. Will the sender, also unknown, kindly forward.

The death has occurred at Sherborne, near Northleach, Glos., of Mr. F. Pitts, who passed away after a short illness. He was an enthusiastic ringer, and although his opportunities were not great he followed the doings of the Exercise with the keenest interest.

Progress is being made at Worcester Cathedral, which has now been opened for ringing practice, and the first touch of Caters was rung on Wednesday of last week.

A peal tablet has been unveiled at Daventry by the Rector (the Rev. A. S. Lindsay) recording a peal of Steadman Triples, which was rung on June 10th 1919. The tablet was erected by the ringers as a memorial to the late Mr. A. Andrews, who was an enthusiastic member of the Daventry belfry and the Northants Association.

Congratulations to the Rev. H. B. Woolley and his sons upon scoring a 'family' peal of Minor on handbells. The enthusiastic Vicar of Long Stanton has done much to encourage ringing, not the least being the installation of a peal of eight in his parish church tower. The conductor of the handbell peal is a ringer of only 13 years of age. The Rev. E. B. J. will be proud of his pupil.

Guildford, we think, can boast of the oldest ringer in Mr. John Heathorn. He has rung on Holy Trinity bells several times since he passed the age of 90, and in celebration of his 96th birthday a handbell peal was rung, of which the old gentleman was the principal witness.

## WATFORD'S NEW BELLS DEDICATED.

The new peal of eight at Watford, cast at the Croydon Foundry, were dedicated at a largely attended service at Watford Parish Church on Saturday.

The bells are a magnificent ring, and in their place in the tower more than justify the high opinion formed of them when they were heard in the foundry by a number of interested visitors some few weeks ago.

In connection with that visit, we mentioned the new 'slider' that had been introduced, and Messrs. Gillett and Johnston have also included in the fittings a device for preventing the clapper from rebounding on to the bell after striking.

Experts have long been looking for a successful device of this kind and Messrs. Gillett and Johnston have taken out a provisional patent.

## ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.

### ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Romney Marsh and District Guild was held on Saturday week at Appledore. The following towers were represented: Ashford, Brookland, Great Chart, Kingsnorth, Lympne, Mersham, Rye, Stone, Tentenden, Wye, Woodchurch, and the local band. Several touches of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major were successfully brought round before service, which was held in the church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. A. O. Scutt). Afterwards, 37 members sat down to tea at the Swan Hotel, presided over by the Vicar.

At the business meeting which followed, the Hon. Secretary (Mr. H. Balcomb) read the report for the year, showing the Guild to be in a good sound position.

The Chairman was re-elected president, Mr. H. Balcomb hon. sec., and Mr. George Billenness, who had been on service (but was not present) is to be invited to take up his old position as Master. The retiring committee was re-elected, and two new members were elected.

Stone was selected as the next place of meeting, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the hon. secretary for his work during the past year, and especially for the great pains he took to make the summer outing to Croydon such a great success.

The Chairman was thanked for the use of the bells, for the service in church, and for presiding at this meeting, and the Vicar suitably responded.

Some capital recitations were given by the Hon. Secretary, and songs by Messrs. F. Apps, J. Barling, W. Cook, S. Coleman, L. Hoad, Gilham, A. Johnson, A. Monk, C. Noakes and C. Tribe. Messrs. F. Burt, C. Player, A. Daw, G. Johnson and C. Tribe gave several touches on the handbells.



**SURPRISE METHODS.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir.—Mr. Carter asks which are we going to have as the Standard Surprise Method, Bristol or Superlative? The answer, of course, is neither by itself! The Method Committee had to find a definition to cover not what they thought a Surprise Method ought to be, but what the whole Exercise has agreed to call a Surprise Method, and they adopted Mr. Bankes James' definition, because it is the only one that has ever been suggested that does not at once break down when you apply it to things as they are and not to things as people fancy they should be. Of course, Mr. Carter is entitled to have his opinion on the matter, but I do not think the committee would have been well advised if they had suggested a definition which would have excluded not only Bristol but Norfolk, Brighton and Gloucester. The Exercise rings these as Surprise Methods, and, say what you like, they will continue to be called by that name. Doesn't that settle the matter?

You, Mr. Editor, talk about a court of appeal. May I suggest that we have already a court of appeal in the whole Exercise? To it all these questions must ultimately go, and the suggestions of the Method Committee, and of any other authority, stand or fall, as they pass that test or not.—Yours,  
Ealing.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

**MR. CARTER'S REPLY.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir.—In reply to the Rev. E. Bankes James, who says:—'Will he please tell us in the first place what is his reason for doing so, and also show what advantage we are to obtain by it,' all that I have to say is that Bristol is not a Surprise Method, as it has not interior place making at the cross section, while the Treble is in front or behind, the same as in Superlative.

JOHN CARTER.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

The first meeting in the New Year for the Manchester Branch was held at the Cathedral, when about 50 were present from the towers in the branch and surrounding district, and the members were pleased to welcome Mr. Lane, of Loughborough, who is working in the district. There was a great call for Grandsire Caters all through the evening, sandwiched with Kent and Stedman.

The business meeting was presided over by Mr. J. W. Washbrook and St. John, Deansgate, was chosen as the next place of meeting on February 21st. Three new members were elected, and a discussion on the advisability of having a branch committee with a branch president, was eventually adjourned till a later date, with the idea of getting it in working order by the commencement of the association's new year, on September 1st.

Mr. Washbrook gave his theory on how peals and touches should be struck, and advised the members, when they got one method properly, to attempt something higher.

The meeting closed with the best thanks to the Cathedral authorities for the use of the bells, to the local band for having everything ready on this occasion.

**PRESTON BRANCH.**

A well-attended meeting of the Preston Branch was held at Chorley Parish Church on Saturday last, over 40 members putting in appearance, representing 11 towers in the branch. In the course of the afternoon's ringing everyone was given the opportunity for a pull. An adjournment was then made to the Imperial Hotel, where tea had been kindly provided by the Rector of Chorley (the Rev. Archdeacon Allen). Slight indisposition unfortunately prevented two reverend gentlemen from attending, much to everyone's regret.

At the business meeting the Rev. J. H. Rideal (curate) presided, and in replying to a vote of thanks, remarked that that was his first appearance amongst ringers, but he was so much struck with the brotherly spirit that seemed to exist amongst them that it certainly would not be his last.

A hearty vote of thanks was also accorded to the Rector for so generously providing tea and granting the use of the bells.

Four new members were elected, and Higher Walton was chosen as the next meeting-place, to be followed by Tarleton. The tower was again visited, and the bells kept going till 8.30, everyone voting the meeting a huge success.

The methods rung during the day were Bob Minor and Woodbine Treble Bob, Grandsire Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Stedman Triples, and Double Norwich.

**THE FIRST 1920 DATE TOUCH.**

Haslemere, Surrey, can, after all, probably claim the first 1920 date touch. It was begun at midnight, and consisted of 720 of Woodbine, 720 of Oxford and 480 of Kent Treble Bob, and, occupying 64 minutes, was brought round at 1.4 a.m. on New Year's Day: v. White 1, T. Mack 2, J. Madgwick 3, E. Pressling 4, G. Goodchild 5, R. Hayes (conductor) 6, A. Wisdom tenor (covering).

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***NORTHERN BRANCH MEETING.*

On Saturday last, a splendid gathering of ringers met at St. Thomas', Stourbridge, for the first quarterly meeting of the year. After ringing during the afternoon, between 60 and 70 members attended the choral service, which was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. M. Stanhope Newland), assisted by his curate. A fitting address was given by the Vicar, and after service the members adjourned to the Church House, where a splendid tea was set out, between 70 and 80 sitting down.

At the business meeting which followed, the Vicar presided, and Hagley was selected for the next meeting on June 19th. The quarterly peal is to be attempted at Stourbridge. Twenty-one new members were elected, which shows that the branch meetings are doing good work.

On the proposition of Mr. A. E. Parsons, and seconded by Mr. W. R. Small, a very hearty vote of thanks was given to the Vicar for arranging the service, and for his very instructive address, and to the donors of the tea, and also to Mr. A. J. Skelding and the ladies who had so greatly helped to make the meeting such a success.—The Vicar, responding, said it gave him the greatest pleasure to have the meeting at Stourbridge, and he hoped to have the pleasure of their presence later on.

Arising out of the address given by the Vicar, a very friendly discussion took place at the meeting with reference to the attitude of the clergy towards their ringers, and there is no doubt that a little heart to heart talk at such gatherings can be the means of clearing up any little difficulties that may arise. The discussion showed that the faults, if any, were not always on one side, and every member left the meeting with the impression that to talk such matters over could only be for the better welfare of the Exercise.

The bells were kept going during the evening in the four standard methods, and also in Bristol and London Surprise. Some tunes and a course of Grandsire Caters on the handbells brought a most successful meeting to a close.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***ANNUAL MEETING OF BEDFORD DISTRICT.*

On Saturday week, the annual meeting of the Bedford district was held at Bedford, the gathering being a most successful one, with ringers present from St. Paul's and St. Peter's, Bedford, Harrold, Sharnbrook, Biddenham, Elstow, Clapham, Kempston, and Willington, Beds; Olney and Blethley, Bucks; Welington and Isham, Northants. Service was held at St. Peter-de-Merton Church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. J. E. Gilbert), who stands high in the esteem of Bedfordshire ringers. His homely address on the standard of a ringer's calling, and his warm welcome to the members as 'fellow workers,' was very much appreciated.

Tea was served in St. Peter's Hall, about 40 sitting down. Afterwards, the Rev. A. O. Cheney (Rector of Clapham) was voted to the chair, and those present included Miss E. Steel (vice-president), Mr. E. P. Duffield (general secretary and treasurer), Mr. H. L. Harlow (hon. district secretary), the Rev. J. E. Gilbert, Miss D. Steel, Messrs. C. W. Clarke, H. Sear (Blethley), E. M. Atkins (Isham). The Vicar of St. Paul's, Bedford (Canon J. H. Speck), was absent through indisposition, and other clergy and friends were unavoidably prevented from attending.

The committee's report was adopted, and Miss E. Steel and the General Hon. Secretary spoke of the excellent work that had been done in the past year by Mr. Harlow, as district secretary, in arranging practice meetings, and in assisting young bands in surrounding villages. Although the year does not end until Easter, eleven practice meetings had been held, all arranged by him. Twelve peals had been rung by members of the district, several ringing their first peal. The progress in several belfries was very gratifying.

Mr. Harlow was unanimously re-elected and thanked for his services. A committee was also elected for the ensuing year.

Votes of thanks to the Rev. J. E. Gilbert for conducting the service and for the use of St. Peter's bells, and to the Rev. A. Cheney for presiding, concluded the business.

The methods rung before the service and after the meeting varied from London Surprise to Doubles for the 'young hands.'

**THE PEAL AT NEWCASTLE.**

A peal of Stedman Cinques was arranged at Newcastle-on-Tyne Cathedral for four visitors from Manchester (Messrs. R. F. Deal, Amos Trippier, Harry Chapman and J. W. Washbrook, junr.), and one from Birmingham, Mr. Jas. George. The Manchester men wired at the eleventh hour that they had missed their connection at Normanton and would return home. Fortunately, a surplus of ringers turned up, and the peal rung, but the Newcastle men regret exceedingly to have lost the pleasure of a peal with their Lancashire friends. Mr. Ferry has now rung a 5,000 on every bell in the Cathedral tower, a record he is justly proud of.

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1920.**

**PEALS AT CREWE.****MR. C. J. BOWEN COOKE'S GIFTS.**

An interesting ceremony took place at Crewe, on January 6th, when a memorial, containing the records of two peals rung at Christ Church, was unveiled in the belfry by Sir Henry Fowler, chief mechanical engineer of the Midland Railway, and a new set of bell ropes, presented by Mr. C. J. Bowen Cooke, C.B.E., chief mechanical engineer of the L. and N.W. Railway, and Master of the Chester Diocesan Guild, were dedicated.

Mr. Bowen Cooke, who, amidst his multifarious duties, finds time to take part in the ringing at the parish church, introduced Sir Henry Fowler, and said the tablet commemorated two peals rung during his office as mayor of the borough. One peal was rung simultaneously with the service held in St. Paul's Cathedral in honour of the fallen railwaymen. The ringers present were all railwaymen, and they were glad to be able to pay tribute to their fallen comrades. For that peal they reproduced on the tablet the great bell at St. Paul's Cathedral, which weighed approximately seventeen tons. The tablet also recorded the peal that was rung to commemorate the conclusion of the war. Thus the tablet had a kind of threefold connection—with the war, the town, and the time during which he was honoured to be Master of the Guild.

Sir Henry Fowler said he was delighted to know that they had commemorated the work that had been done—the work of sorrow, sadness and rejoicing. They were fortunate in having Mr. Bowen Cooke as Master of the Guild, and the ringers were very proud of the interest he was taking in bell ringing. In ringing the bells they were doing a great service to the church. They were rung to spread news and to express sorrow and rejoicing. He had great pleasure in unveiling the tablet, and trusted it would be looked upon as an undying memorial of those events which were inscribed on it (applause).

The Vicar (the Rev. W. Bidlake) said the bell ringers of Crewe were recognised as church workers, just as much as any official of the church (hear, hear). They were fortunate in having Mr. Bowen Cooke's great interest in that belfry. He had done a great deal to keeping the men together and to promote comradeship (hear, hear). He proposed a vote of thanks to Sir Henry.—This was seconded by Mr. R. T. Holding, and tributes to Mr. Bowen Cooke's interest in the belfry were also paid by Ald. G. P. Wooldridge (warden) and Major J. N. Jackson, and acknowledged by Mr. Cooke.

Tenches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Bob Royal were then rung, and afterwards the whole company, including Sir Henry Fowler, the Vicar, churchwardens, and ringers, were the guests of Mr. Bowen Cooke at Chester Place.

The memorial, which is the gift of Mr. Bowen Cooke, records the two peals of Grandsire Caters rung in the tower during Mr. Cooke's Mayoralty—one on May 14th, 1919, with the bells muffled in memory of fallen railwaymen, simultaneously with the memorial service in St. Paul's Cathedral, and the other a Peace Peal, on All Saints' Day, November 1st, 1919.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.****YEAR'S WORK IN WOTTON BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of the Wotton-under-Edge and District Branch was held at Wotton-under-Edge, upwards of 30 members attending from the following towers: Berkeley, Dunley, Thornbury, Wotton, Stone, Nibley, and Wickwar. Some very good practice was put in during the afternoon and evening. A special service was held, the Rev. F. C. Black officiating, in the absence of the Vicar (the Rev. F. J. Greenham), who was ill. Tea was partaken in the Parish Room through the great kindness of the Vicar.

At the business meeting which followed, the Secretary read a short report of the year's work, which showed that twelve meetings had been held, with an average attendance of twenty at each meeting. Two honorary and 24 performing members had joined during the year, the total number of the branch now being 60 performing and nine honorary members.

The balance sheet was passed as satisfactory.—Mr. H. W. Fussell (chairman) expressed a wish to resign, but the members would not hear of it, and he was re-elected, as was Mr. W. A. Lewis (branch hon. secretary), several members testifying to his abilities and good work for the association during the past five years.

Mr. A. Burcombe was re-appointed representative on the management Committee, and Mr. F. Oakhill was elected vice-chairman, in the place of Mr. G. Sheppard. It was proposed to hold the next meeting at Yate, on January 31st. Five new members from Wotton were elected.

Mr. F. R. Howell voiced thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and for the excellent tea provided, also expressing the hope that he would soon be restored to health again. Mr. Howell also thanked the churchwardens (Messrs. H. Ford and E. L. Webber) for their attendance and interest.—Thanks were also due to Mr. R. Marmont for his services at the organ, and to the local band who had worked so hard to make the meeting such a success.

**NOTICES.**

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**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**—Established 1755.—Annual meeting will be held at St. Martin's Hotel, St. Martin's Lane, Birmingham, on Tuesday, January 20th, 1920. Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., B.C.L., in the chair. Ringing at St. Martin's, 6.30. Business, 7.30. All subscriptions are due at this meeting.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on Saturday, January 24th, 1920. Tower open 3 p.m. Service, 5.30. Tea in the Parish Hall at 6 p.m. Will members please notify me if they intend being present at the tea?—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., 25, Winchester Avenue, Brondesbury, N.W.6.

**WORCESTERHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Droitwich, on Saturday, Jan. 24th. Service at 4 o'clock prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea will be provided.—R. G. Knowles, Branch Sec.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid-Devon Branch.—A meeting will be held at Torquay (Upton Church), Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Short service at 4.30, followed by tea.—W. C. Wakley, Bella Vista, Teignmouth.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—The annual meeting will be held at Southgate on Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30 o'clock. Tea, at the Cherry Tree, at 6 o'clock, followed by the business meeting. Members and friends invited.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Long Ashton on Saturday, Jan. 24th. Bells available 2.30. Divine service 4 o'clock. Tea at the Church House at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow.—George Vea, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Ely.—Practices will be held at Whittlesford, 6 bells, on Saturday, Jan. 24th, and at Ickleton, 6 bells, on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells available afternoon and evening. A good attendance is desired.—A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Gt. Shelford, Cambs.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting of the Central District will be held at All Saints', Benhilton, Sutton, on Saturday, Jan. 24th. The bells will be available from 3 to 9 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea in School Room at 5 p.m. Will those intending to be present at the tea kindly advise Mr. W. Hodges, 265, High Street, Sutton?—Chas. Dean, Hon. Sec., 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.



**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—(Estab. 1637).—Meeting for practice at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on Jan. 27th, at 7.30 p.m. \* Business afterwards at Headquarters. Notice of motion re Rules 3 and 7 has been given for Jan. 27th. The sum of 1/8, which entitles members who have not attended 20 times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due.—William T. Cockerill (Hon. Sec.), 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at York on Jan. 31st. The bells at the Minster (12) and Clifton (6), also Bishophill (6) will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. All applications for tea, for which a charge of 1s. 6d. per head will be made, must be sent to Mr. G. Horner, 16, Clifton Green, York, not later than first post Jan. 27th. Divine service in the Minster at 4 p.m., at which the Rev. Canon C. C. Bell will preach.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A branch meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Reports ready.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Important Notice.—A district meeting will be held at Colchester, on Jan. 31st. St. Peter's (8), All Saints' (5). Bells available from 2.30; Short service with address 4.30. Tea at a moderate charge will be served in St. Peter's Parish Room followed by business meeting. Members in this division are specially requested to attend as the district officers for the newly-formed division will be appointed. Those who intend to be present please notify me not later than Jan. 27th first post. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due.—B. Redgwell, Rayne St., near Braintree.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Greenwich, on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service and address by the Rev. F. J. Tackley (Vicar), at 5.30 p.m. Tea 1/- per head at Burton's Restaurant, Nelson St., but names must reach me not later than Tuesday, 27th. Business meeting to follow. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due and should be paid at this meeting.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Dis. Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**HEREFORD GUILD.**—Clifford District.—The annual meeting will be held at Clifford, Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells (8) ready 2 p.m. Service 5.30, tea 6 p.m. Please advise me by 27th.—J. P. Hyett, Dis. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cary Deanery.—The annual meeting will be held at Castle Cary on Jan. 31st. Bells available from 2.30 till 9 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at the Vicarage at 5. Those requiring tea kindly let me know by Tuesday, 27th.—Ernest F. Creed, Castle Cary, Hon. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The annual branch meeting will take place at Swindon on Saturday, Jan. 31st. The Parish Church and St. Mark's bells will be available. Further particulars next week.—H. W. Bishop, Branch Sec.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Warkton on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells open at 2.30; service at 4.30; tea at 5. Weekley (6 bells) will be open after 6. Those requiring tea kindly notify me by Tuesday 27th.—R. F. Turner, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on Saturday, Jan. 31st.

Bells ready 2.30. Tea 5 o'clock at Barker's Cafe. Business meeting 6 p.m.—Thomas H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Christ Church, St. Leonards-on-Sea, Jan. 31. Christ Church tower open from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m., Blacklands at 6.30. Please let me know how many intend to be present by Wednesday, Jan. 28th. Tea (kindly provided by the Christ Church Band) at 4.30, evensong 5.30. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due.—Geo. H. Howse, Sec., Latimer Road, Eastbourne.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Raunds on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells available 2.30; service 4.30; tea 5. Meeting to follow.—James Nickerson, Dis. Sec., Halford St., Thrapston.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Weston-super-Mare on Saturday, 31st inst. Service in the Parish Church 5.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Bells (8) afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Peter's, Tunbridge Wells, on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Tower open at 2.30. Committee meeting at 4, service in church at 4.45; Tea 1/3 per head in the Parish Room at 5.30, but names must reach me not later than Tuesday, Feb. 3rd. Business meeting after tea. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due and should be paid at this meeting.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—The first annual meeting of the above district will be held at Hereford on Saturday, Feb. 7th. St. Nicholas (6) available 3.30 to 5.30. Cathedral (10) 7.30 to 9. Service in St. Nicholas Church 5.30, preacher the Bishop of Hereford. Tea in St. Nicholas Parish Room 6.15, free to members notifying me not later Feb. 3. Business meeting to follow. It is earnestly requested that all members will make an effort to be present at this meeting as there will be matters of great interest to discuss.—C. Edwards, Hon. Sec., Gt. Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—A meeting of this society will be held at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, Leeds, on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business at 7 p.m.—William Gage, Hon. Sec., 7, Burley Terrace, Burley Road, Leeds.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Liverpool, on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service at 5. Meeting at 5.30.—Rev. E. C. Collier and Walter Hughes, Secs.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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### THE COLLEGE YOUTHS. EXCLUSION OF LADY MEMBERS.

The Ancient Society of College Youths, as intimated in an article published last week, have decided to exclude ladies from membership. In rule 1, the word 'male' is to be inserted after the word 'member,' and in rule 4, the words 'or she' are to be omitted.

In order that a complete roll of honour may be inserted in the Peal Book, it is requested that friends of members killed in action or who died of wounds, will send names, rank and regiment to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. T. Cockerill, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, as early as possible.

### PORTBURY BELLS.

The bells at Portbury have just been renovated by Messrs. Jewellins and James, of Bristol, and a visit by the ringers of Easton-in-Gordano to try the bells proves that the contract has been splendidly carried out, and the firm deserve the highest praise for the workmanship. The visitors were met by Mr. H. James (churchwarden), and Messrs. H. Sealey and C. Davis, of the local band. The tenor is 25 cwt., and the bells were admirably raised in peal, and several 120's of Grandsire Doubles were rung. After this a 720 Bob Minor was rung by: A. T. Atherton 1, U. Greenslade 2, L. H. Moore, junr. 3, L. H. Moore, senr. 4, J. Atherton 5, G. H. Gale (conductor) 6. Then 480 of Stedman, Bob Doubles and Grandsire Doubles were rung, with H. Porter on the tenor. Mr. Porter is 76 years of age, and said he could ring the bell to a peal. From the 'go' of the bell and the way he handled it, there could be little doubt of this.

### LEYTONSTONE RINGERS' PERFORMANCE.

During 1919, St. John the Baptist's Association, Leytonstone, and visiting friends, rang the following 720's:—Surprise Methods: Cambridge 16, London 8, York 4, Lincoln 4, Wells 3, Beverley 3, Ipswich 3, Durham 3, Chelsea 1, Chester 1, Carlisle 1, Norwich 1, Newcastle 1, Canterbury 1; Kent Treble Bob 13, Oxford Treble Bob 3, Plain Bob 8. Number of 720's rung by each member:—W. Miller 67, A. Prior 55, J. Moule 49, W. Riches 47, G. Dawson 46, E. Smith 44, W. Theobald 37, G. L. Joyce 36, H. P. Avey 23, H. Torble 11, W. Doran 9, G. Hayden 4, J. Horwood 4, B. Thompson 3, G. A. Black 2, H. Gowers 2, W. J. Rundle 2, E. Petty 1, H. Collins 1, B. Marks 1. Conductors: W. Miller 40, J. Moule 11, G. Dawson 10, A. Prior 9, G. L. Joyce 2, W. Theobald 1, E. Smith 1.

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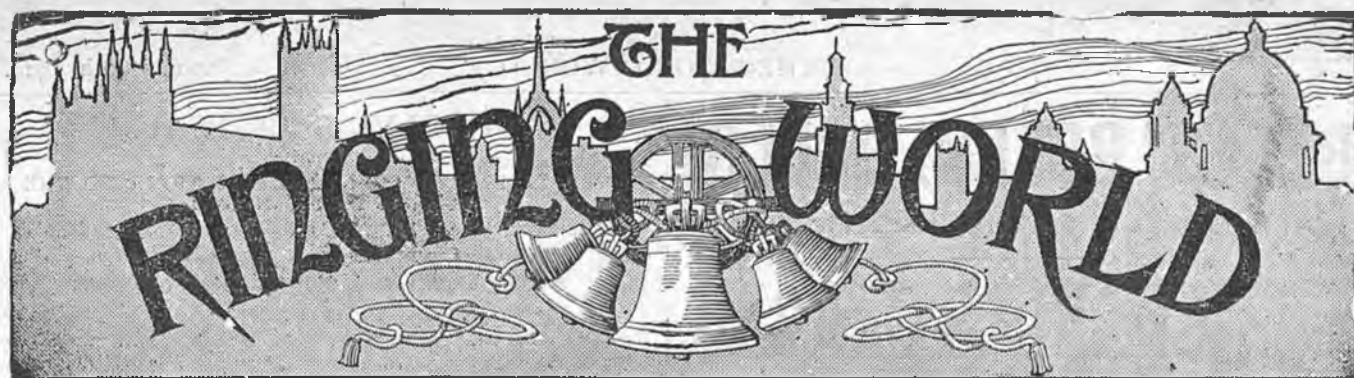
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## THE PRACTICE OF HIGHER METHODS

In an address to members of the Oxford Guild at a meeting of the Sonning Deanery Branch the Master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) gave some very sound advice, which might be taken to heart by ringers outside as well as inside the Oxford Diocesan Guild. There is no one in the Exercise more respected than the Master of the Oxford Guild, and advice from him, matured by experience, carries weight through all sections of the ringing community. One point upon which the Rev. Cecil Jenkyn touched may well be emphasised, and that is the need for greater endeavour to achieve the ringing of the higher methods. It is not a new question; but it is just as necessary that it should be kept in the forefront of ringing policy now as it ever was.

The last three or four decades have seen an immense advance in the standard of the methods generally practised. Thirty years or so ago the ringers who aspired to Surprise ringing formed a very limited circle; to-day there are numerous bands throughout the country, and a Surprise peal is not looked upon as an extraordinary performance, unless the attendant circumstances are exceptional. Yet, when the growth of change ringing is considered, it is doubtful if the practice of the higher methods has grown as much as it ought to have done in comparison. Leaving out of the question change ringing in the more difficult methods on more than eight bells, which is restricted more particularly by the facilities which a man has for practising on the higher numbers, there ought to be no limitation to the aspirations which a change ringer should have to rise from one stage to another. Unfortunately too many are content to be satisfied with ringing the plain methods, or, at the outside, what are known as the four standard methods. But these are only the bottom rungs of the ladder, which should serve as steps on the way to higher achievements.

Encouragement will go a long way towards increasing the practice of the higher methods, and generally speaking the enthusiast in ringing will seek out his own opportunities for advancement. More, however, might be done by the ringing organisations. They send out instructors to teach the rudiments of change ringing; but why should not competent ringers be sent out to instruct bands in methods something higher than Grandsire or Plain Bob? A good many who have already attained to skill in ringing advanced methods may be inclined to say that those who want to learn should do as others before them have done—teach themselves. That, however, should not be the policy of the present day; and if at the moment no other course is open, more might be done on the lines of the Oxford Guild, who have arranged combined practices for Surprise methods.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CORNHILL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 41 cwt.

GEORGE R. PYE ... .. Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	*HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 8
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 3	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. 9
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 10
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 11
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 6	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal on 12 bells.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

BERT CHALLEN ... .. Treble	GEORGE PIPER ... .. 6
JOHN FEIST ... .. 2	GEORGE W. STOKES ... .. 7
ARTHUR WHITE ... .. 3	ROBERT J. DAWES ... .. 8
HENRY STALHAN ... .. 4	CAPT. I. R. MACKMAN ... .. 9
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 5	JAMES A. HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY JOHNSON.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

ASTON-JUXTA-BIRMINGHAM.

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BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

Tenor 22 cwt.

*GEORGE T. MITCHESON ... Treble	JAMES HOPKINS ... .. 6
W. HENRY JONES ... .. 2	WILLIAM KENT ... .. 7
A. ALBERT JONES ... .. 3	JOHN CORRIGAN ... .. 8
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 4	WILLIAM DAVIES ... .. 9
JOHN CARTER ... .. 5	†ERNEST PLUMMER ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN CARTER.

This peal was rung with the bells muffled for the late Canon Hodgson, Vicar of the above church, who met with a fatal bicycle accident while riding home a few nights before. \* First peal of Caters. † First peal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.]

FYLINGDALES, YORKSHIRE.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On St. Stephen's Day, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Five Mins.,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

THOS. STEEL ... .. Treble	JOHN T. WATERS ... .. 5
WM. A. BRECKON ... .. 2	ALBERT V. COATES ... .. 6
ALFRED E. OXLEY ... .. 3	GEORGE F. ALEXANDER ... 7
FRANK S. HODGSON ... .. 4	*FREDERICK TOWNSEND ... Tenor

Conducted by W. A. BRECKON.

\* First peal. G. F. Alexander's 50th peal. First peal on the bells since they were recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett & Johnston in 1914, and first peal of Grandsire Triples in the tower.

BENHILTON, SURREY. — On November 30th, at All Saints', a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1280 changes): Capt. Freeborn 1, C. Dean 2, A. J. Perkins (conductor) 3, R. Brough 4, A. Clark 5, A. J. Trappitt 6, R. Whittington 7, R. Lathbury 8.



FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 1, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb.

WILLIAM OSTLER ... .. Treble	JOHN C. SELF ... .. 5
VICTOR KERRIDGE ... .. 2	JOHN HALL ... .. 6
WILLIAM FLORY ... .. 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... .. 7
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... .. 4	*HAROLD MAYHEW ... .. Tenor

Composed by E. J. GALE.

Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

\* First peal. First peal of Bob Triples by all except W. Flory and W. Ostler.

PENDLEBURY, LANCASHIRE  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

CARTER'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE PINCOT ... .. Treble	THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... .. 5
FRED ABBOT ... .. 2	TITUS BARLOW ... .. 6
THOMAS LINGARD ... .. 3	JOHN POTTER ... .. 7
ALFRED POTTER ... .. 4	JOHN EDGE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Thomas Lingard and in commemoration of his 45 years' service as a ringer in the above tower.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. Treble	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 5
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 2	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 6
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 7
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 4	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDORF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal of London by all the band. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung at the third attempt. It was also the conductor's hundredth peal on the bells.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL COSLANY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Treble	JOHN FREEMAN ... .. 5
MISS H. BILL ... .. 2	JAMES RAMPLEY ... .. 6
GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 3	ALFRED WATSON ... .. 7
ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 4	FRANK H. DAVEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by F. H. DAVEY.

Arranged for F. H. Davey and was his first peal as conductor and first attempt.

ABERAVON, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

SYDNEY J. PERRY ... .. Treble	A. J. PITMAN ... .. 5
RICHARD EVANS ... .. 2	D. R. JAMES ... .. 6
WALTER J. NORTON ... .. 3	W. J. SMITH ... .. 7
ERNEST J. STITCH ... .. 4	*FRED ATWELL ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by A. J. PITMAN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the memory of those of this parish who have fallen in the war. The composition was a variation of that published in the 'Ringing World,' March 1st, 1918. \* First peal and first attempt.

BURNHAM-ON-SEA, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

A. ROUTLEY ... .. Treble	H. LAWRENCE ... .. 5
F. ILEY ... .. 2	W. MORGAN ... .. 6
*J. BAKER ... .. 3	A. EVANS ... .. 7
G. CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 4	*W. RUSSELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. ILEY.

\* First peal of Triples as conductor and first attempt. \* First peal.

RICKMANSWORTH, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in D.

WILLIAM SEELEY ... .. Treble	HENRY HODGETTS ... .. 5
HUBERT EDEN ... .. 2	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... .. 6
CHARLES N. LEMAN ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... .. 7
WILLIAM HODGETTS ... .. 4	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late E. PYE.

Conducted by MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT.

First peal in the method on the bells since their restoration in 1913 by Messrs. Warner.

MARKET HARBOUROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DIONYSIUS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

WILLIAM R. PARKER ... .. Treble	*JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 5
*ALFRED J. MAWBY ... .. 2	FRED STANFORTH ... .. 6
JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 7
SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE ... .. 4	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal of Bob Major. \* First peal in the method.

ALSAGER, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

GEORGE H. CRAWLEY ... .. Treble	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 5
HARRY F. HOLDING ... .. 2	*GEORGE WHALLEY ... .. 6
WILLIAM CARTWRIGHT ... .. 3	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... .. 7
*RICHARD D. LANGFORD ... .. 4	*WILLIAM CHADWICK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. CRAWLEY.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal. ‡ First peal on eight bells. First peal in the method as a conductor. First peal in the method on the bells rung as a peace peal for the village, also as a birthday compliment to J. H. Riding.

LENTON, NOTTINGHAM.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr.

SAMUEL WESLEY ... .. Treble	PERCY PRICE ... .. 5
FREDERICK S. PRICE ... .. 2	*JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 6
JOHN C. DICKEN ... .. 3	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. 7
ALBERT COPPOCK ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. SEVIOUR ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. J. WASHBROOK (No. 2).

Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

\* First peal of Stedman inside. Rung with bells half-muffled in memory of Miss Harrison, who had been one of the Sunday-school teachers for a great number of years.

### MILES PLATTING, MANCHESTER. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Evangelist,

#### A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. 22 lb.

*ANTHONY MERCER ... .. Treble	ARTHUR RIDYARD ... .. 5
MISS EMMA TONGE ... .. 2	JOSEPH HALL ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. SHOKER ... .. 3	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT ... 7
THOMAS K. DRIVER ... .. 4	AMOS SIMPSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. W. WOLSTENCROFT.

\* First peal for the treble ringer. Rung in connection with the welcome home of the demobilised soldiers of the parish, also for the coming of age of the eldest daughter of the ringer of the third.

### DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, January 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGED;

Tenor 20 cwt.

HARRY HALL ... .. Treble	*THOMAS CHAPPELL ... .. 5
EDWARD GRIMES ... .. 2	EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 6
LESLIE WIGHTMAN ... .. 3	THOMAS W. LAST ... .. 7
GEORGE WIGHTMAN, JUN. ... 4	WILLIAM C. REMSEY ... Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by Wm. C. REMSEY.

\* First peal.

### CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

#### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, January 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Treble	ALFRED D. MILLS ... .. 5
FRANCIS T. HOAD ... .. 2	JOHN RICE ... .. 6
WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... .. 3	ROBERT BRETT ... .. 7
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 4	ALBERT ELLIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

### SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, January 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Edmund,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JAMES JILLINGS ... .. Treble	†EDWARD NUNN ... .. 5
*GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... 2	EDWARD CHATTEN ... .. 6
JOHN SPENCER ... .. 3	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 7
FREDERICK J. SMITH ... .. 4	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Composed by the late JOHN R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

This peal was arranged and rung by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. Claude Hope Sutton, M.A.) to welcome in the New Year. C.C. collection Section 2, No. 115. \* First peal in the method. † First peal of Major.

### FAKENHAM, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

#### A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

ARTHUR DYE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 5
CHARLES S. TUTHILL ... .. 2	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 6
ARTHUR W. BALDWIN ... .. 3	ROBERT W. COOKE ... .. 7
CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 4	CHARLES SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by Wm. E. BASON.

The peal was rung as a welcome home to the Fakenham members of H.M. Forces. First peal in the method on the bells. First peal in the method by all the band except the ringer of the 6th. Mr. Smith hails from Holbrook, Suffolk, and was spending his annual holiday at Ryburgh, near Fakenham.

### HENFIELD, SUSSEX.

#### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(HENFIELD BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, January 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

JOSEPH J. PARKER'S No. 9.

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb.

ALBERT E. BAKER ... .. Treble	ALFRED BAIGENT ... .. 5
GEORGE PAYNE ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. ALLISS ... .. 6
*CHARLES A. BARNES ... .. 3	CHARLES TYLER ... .. 7
LAZARUS PAYNE ... .. 4	WILLIAM MARKWELL ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES TYLER.

\* First peal. This composition is now rung for the first time.

### ECCLES, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN. Treble	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN. 5
EDWARD OLDFIELD ... .. 2	TITUS BARLOW ... .. 6
THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... .. 3	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 7
RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 4	AMOS TRIPPIER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. C. Trippier, second son of the tenor ringer, on reaching his 21st anniversary, he having recently been demobilised from the forces. This peal has all the sixes and sevens at backstroke.

### SIX BELL PEALS.

#### LEIGH-ON-MENDIP, SOMERSET.

#### THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(FROME AND MIDSOMER NORTON DEANERY.)

On Thursday, January 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Giles,

#### A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*WILLIAM JELLY ... .. Treble	*GEOFFREY ASHMAN ... .. 4
*WALTER FARTHING ... .. 2	†WILLIAM J. ROSSITER ... 5
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 3	*CHARLES EARL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON.

\* First peal. † First peal inside. Rung as a welcome home to the soldiers and sailors of the village. The Vicar (the Rev. J. Honnywill), who is President of the Branch, entertained the company to tea, for which they tender their hearty thanks. All are local men except the conductor.

### HARROLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.

#### THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford, T.B., Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

Tenor 15 cwt.

HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. Treble	R. CHARLES ALLEN ... .. 4
W. ARCHIBALD NORMAN ... 2	ALBERT J. BARCOCK ... .. 5
GILBERT F. BELL ... .. 3	EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD P. DUFFIELD.

H. W. Gayton belongs to the local band and the remainder to Sharnbrook.

### LAMBERHURST, KENT.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, January 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 13 cwt.

H. PADGHAM, ex-A.P.C. ... Treble	G. FULLER, ex-R.F.A. ... 4
A. RELFE, ex-Leinsters ... 2	F. J. LAMBERT, ex-Buffs ... 5
H. J. HAMMOND, ex-R.N. ... 3	H. PRICE, ex-A.P.C. ... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled after the dedication of the memorial cross erected in memory of the thirty-four men of this parish who have fallen in the war. After the peal the whole pull and stand was rung thirty-four times.

## GREAT YELDHAM, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, January 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Plain Bob,  
St. Clement's, Oxford, Woodbine and Kent Treble Bob.

FRED WILKIN ... .. Treble	SIDNEY HALE ... .. 4
LEWIS WISEMAN ... .. 2	ARTHUR WASH ... .. 5
HORACE COOPER ... .. 3	OLIVE BROYD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by OLIVE BROYD.

\* First peal of minor. Rung as a birthday peal for Horace Cooper.  
This is believed to be the first peal on the bells.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

## BIRMINGHAM.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, January 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

In the Cathedral Belfry.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANCES;

Tenor 19 size in F.

THOMAS RUSSAN ... .. 1-2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 5-6
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 3-4	ALBERT WALKER ... .. 7-8
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 9-10	

Composed and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

STANTON-ON-HINE-HEATH, SALOP. — On December 10th, 720 Plain Bob Doubles, in 31 mins.: A. White 1, W. Lycett 2, W. Clay 3, A. Shotton 4, E. V. Rodenhurst (conductor) 5, S. France (first 720) 6. The ringers of the four back bells are discharged soldiers, who have seen active service.

LONDON. — On December 21st, at St. John-the-Divine, Vassal Road, Brixton, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1230 changes): G. Wild 1, E. J. King 2, A. J. Perkins (conductor) 3, T. H. Taffender 4, R. Brough 5, R. N. Runham 6, A. Barker 7, H. Belcher 8.

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

## TAUNTON BRANCH MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Taunton Branch of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association was held at Taunton on Saturday week. The bells at St. Mary's Church were open for ringing in the afternoon, and by kind invitation of the president (Preb. Corfield) tea was partaken of at the Waterloo Restaurant, after which the business meeting was held, Preb. Corfield presiding.

The balance sheet showed a balance in hand of £22 8s., and was adopted. A short report on the year's working was read by the secretary, which showed that three meetings had been held, and had been well attended. Thirteen peals had been rung by members of the branch. Thirty-three members had served during the year, and of these five had given up their lives—W. Fudge and S. Phillips, of St. Mary's, Taunton, were killed in France; F. Norman, of Milverton, died in Salonika; H. Webber, Bishop's Hull; and W. Weaver, Trull, died in India. The sympathy of the members went forth to their relatives, and to all who had now returned a hearty welcome was extended, with grateful thanks for their services.

Preb. Corfield was heartily thanked for his many kindnesses during the past year, and was unanimously re-elected president.—Mr. Marson, who for the past few years has been serving in India, was re-elected secretary, and Mr. J. Maddock elected to serve on the general committee.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Crowcombe, soon after Easter.

A hearty vote of thanks to the president for presiding concluded the business, and a short service was next held in St. Mary's Church, at which Preb. Corfield gave a very earnest address. During the evening the tower was again visited, and touches in various methods rung.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A well-attended meeting of the Rossendale Branch was held at St. James', Waterfoot, on Saturday week. Various touches were rung, including Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, etc.—It was decided to hold the next meeting at St. Thomas', Helmshore, the date to be arranged later.—Thanks to the Vicar and warden for use of bells, and to the local ringers for having all in readiness, were accorded, and brought the meeting to a close.

REDDINGTON, SURREY.—On Friday, January 16th, on handbells, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes): R. Brough 1-2, A. J. Perkins 3-4, R. Lathbury (conductor) 5-6, A. Clark 7-8.

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**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

What wonderful things some of our young men can do! Here is an example: Leave Birmingham on Wednesday night, ring the 11th in a peal at Newcastle-on-Tyne on Thursday, return on Thursday night, reach Birmingham on Friday, stand in an attempt for a peal at Bow, Cheapside, on Saturday, and once again in Birmingham the same night! This was the New Year record of that increasingly youthful ringer—Mr. James George, at the age of 68.

Loughborough has decided by a plebiscite upon the erection, as an eloquent memorial to her fallen fighting men, of a tower to contain a carillon of 45 bells, the largest weighing 3 tons. It will be the finest carillon in the British Isles, and will be provided by the famous Loughborough foundry.

Mr. Harry Mason, the Master of the Dudley and District Guild, has left Stourvich, Old Hill, Staffs, and removed to 15, Tregenvor Road, Falmouth, where he has gone to reside for the benefit of his wife's health.

By an error the peal rung at Beoston, on December 27th, was credited to the Middlesex Association. It should have been the Midland Counties.

This year is the 350th of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry—the oldest business in London, and probably in England.

Since the Armistice this ancient foundry has been employed upon a good deal of London work, in addition to contracts in the provinces.

The augmentation of Westminster Abbey bells and the restoration of St. Clement Danes, are two important undertakings which have been completed; All Hallows, Tottenham; St. Mary's, Bow, E., and St. Thomas', Brentwood, are now in hand, and St. Andrew's, Holborn, will shortly be commenced.

## WATFORD'S NEW BELLS.

### THE REOPENING.

Some 80 to 100 ringers from all parts of Hertfordshire and the Metropolis attended the reopening of St. Mary's bells Watford, on Saturday, 17th January, as already briefly announced in these columns.

The proceedings commenced with service in the church at three o'clock, by which time there was a full attendance. The service took the form of shortened evensong, with special dedicatory prayers by the Very Rev. the Archdeacon of St. Albans, who also preached from the text, 'Woe unto me if I preach not the gospel.' The preacher dwelt on the unusual inscription which was on the old treble bell, and which had been reproduced on the new bell and suggested that the use of the word 'subscribers' was due to the irreligious condition of the country which obtained about the middle of the 17th century, and urged his listeners to be enthusiastic in their religion.

A few rounds were rung immediately the dedication was complete, and subsequently the bells were rung to various methods—from Grandfire Triples to London Surprise. The clergy and ringers were entertained to tea in St. Mary's Church House, the visitors being cordially welcomed by the Vicar (the Rev. Cecil F. Ayerst), who is president of the Hertford County Association, and is also a ringer. He took part in several touches during the evening. The general opinion expressed by all the ringers present and others was that the foundry (Messrs. Gillett and Johnston) had succeeded in casting a beautiful peal, which, heard from a distance, added still more to their charm. The ringers desire to express their appreciation of the Vicar's generous invitation, and the lavish hospitality meted to them. The occasion was a very happy reunion, carrying many of those present back in thought to days long ago when they were flushed with the enthusiasm of youth. The following is taken from the tablet which is exhibited in the ringing room:—

The eight bells in this tower were recast, tuned on the five-harmonic principle, and rehung in a new steel and iron frame, and supplied with new ringing fittings throughout, January, 1920.

No.	Note.	Inscriptions.	Weight,		
			owl.	gr.	lb.
1	E flat	'At proper Times My Voice I'll Raise and Sound to My Subscribers Praise.' Lester Fecit 1750.	5	3	20
2	D	1750 T. Lester of London Fecit .....	6	0	1
3	C	Thomas Lester Fecit, 1750 .....	6	3	10
4	B flat	Thomas Lester of London made me 1750 .....	7	3	10
5	A flat	Thomas Lester Fecit 1750 .....	10	0	14
6	G	Thomas Lester of London Fecit 1750 .....	14	0	25
7	F	John Shackell and John Dummer O.W. John Briant Hartford Fecit 1786 .....	16	3	7
8	E flat	I to the Church the living call and to the grave I summons all .....	24	1	6
Thomas Lester of London made us all 1750.					
Total .....			92	0	9

The bells have been fitted with a device to prevent the clapper from remaining on the bell after being struck, a patent for which has been applied for by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.



## COURT OF APPEAL.

To the Editor.

Sir,—The proposal to establish a Ringers' Court of Appeal to review the work of our technical experts is faced by a practical difficulty which appears to be insuperable. The members of the legal Court of Appeal are normally chosen from the most learned of judges of the King's Bench. When the Central Council appointed its Legitimate Methods Committee it naturally selected those who were regarded as having the greatest expert knowledge in the Exercise. If the Central Council made a wise selection then, the Court of Appeal to be appointed now would but consist of the old committee under another name. On the other hand, if the Legitimate Methods Committee no longer possesses the confidence of the Exercise, the remedy is sufficiently obvious.

I do not think that even Mr. Trollope goes quite far enough. The real Court of Appeal does not consist of the members of the Exercise at any particular time, as the verdict of history can alone decide where the truth lies. When the present definitions were drawn up, Woodbine and Violet were very popular methods; now they are dying, if not dead. The reason is not that the members of the Exercise are obedient children doing what they are told by the Legitimate Methods Committee; something better has been found to replace these methods. If ringers generally would regard the published decisions of committees of the Central Council not as arbitrary enactments, but as an intelligent anticipation of the probable trend of events, a good deal of opposition to these decisions might be avoided, and much disappointment might be saved many bands who spend time practising methods which they eventually abandon as unsatisfactory.

Taking as an example your reference to the lead ends controversy, it appears evident that unless the history of the future is to negative that of the past methods with 'illegitimate' lead ends, have no prospect of permanent survival. The reason, of course, is not that they are banned by the Central Council, but simply that ringers find them unsatisfactory in practice.—Yours, etc.,

Holbeton Vicarage, Plymouth.

E. S. POWELL.

### ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY. MEMBERS' PRESENTATION TO CLERICAL SECRETARY.

A quarterly meeting was held at Christ Church, West Bromwich, on Saturday week. It was originally arranged to take place at Wood Green, but (through the indisposition of the Vicar other arrangements had to be made. Various methods were rung on the bells during the afternoon and evening, including Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major; also some rounds on the twelve in which Miss Reeves (the local 'sexton') took part. The Rev. W. Solly, Vicar of St. Philip's, West Bromwich, delivered a helpful address, and also informed his hearers that he remembered a few faces before him who were present at the same church when he was privileged to address a similar assembly some 28 years earlier. He missed one notable figure, he said, who was at the earlier meeting, and that was the late Mr. Samuel Reeves, who had acted as hon. lay secretary for a considerable number of years. He exhorted the young members to follow in their footsteps, and to try and carry on steadfastly in their duty as Churchmen.

Tea was provided in the Parish Room, and after the company were seated at the tables, Mr. Wm. Rock Small, the senior member, was asked to make a presentation to the Rev. C. H. Barker, L.Th. (hon. clerical secretary and treasurer), on the occasion of his recent marriage. This he did in a humorous style, accompanied with a little fatherly advice, wishing the newly-married couple long life and much happiness, with the hope that they would live to celebrate their golden wedding—as he and his partner did a few years ago.

The present consisted of a packet of Treasury notes, subscribed by members throughout the Archdeaconry.

In responding, the Rev. C. H. Barker, on behalf of himself and his wife, most heartily thanked the members for the gift and announced that when they went to their new home they would be best able to choose how to spend the money they had received.

The Rev. W. Solly made a few kind remarks, and expressed his good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Barker.

Mr. J. Bradney moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar (the Rev. B. Nicholas) for the use of the church and bells, to the Rev. W. Solly for his kindly address, and to the ladies who had catered for the tea. —This was carried with acclamation.

The next meeting is provisionally arranged to take place at St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, on April 17th.

### DEATH OF LINCOLNSHIRE RINGER.

On December 31st there passed away at his home at Barkston, after a short illness, one of the oldest members of the Southern Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, Mr. Thomas Watson, who had been a member of the St. Nicholas' Society for over 30 years, and was always a regular attendant at service ringing.

In memory of their departed brother ringer, the St. Nicholas' band rang a half-muffled 720 of Single Court Minor on January 14th: J. Searson 1, J. Athenson 2, A. Drury 3, J. Miller 4, W. Woods 5, A. Palmer (conductor) 6.

### ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM. THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was held at the St. Martin's Hotel on January 20th, when the chair was taken by the presiding Ringing Master, Mr. Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A.

The officers were re-elected en bloc, and a hearty vote of thanks accorded to them for past services.

The Secretary having reported that a room had been secured at the Imperial Hotel for Saturday, March 27th, it was agreed to hold the Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner on that date, and an announcement to that effect will appear in due course.

Several new members were elected, among them, on the chairman's proposition, being Mr. Jack Withers, junr., of Northfield, of whom the chairman remarked he was the most promising boy he had seen for years, and although he had only recently commenced to learn he could already ring an inside bell to several methods. He (Mr. Pritchett) thought he would in all probability turn out another Barber. This is not to be construed as a prophecy that he would develop into an 'Artist in Hair,' but is a reference to a gentleman well known in the Birmingham district, but whose present address is 'somewhere in the North of England.' Durham and Newcastle papers please copy.

The balance sheet showed a matter of £5 odd to the good on the year's working, which is to be regarded as satisfactory in these times.

Ringing was indulged in on the tower bells prior to the meeting, among those present being the Rev. — Wilkinson, of Mansfield, Notts, a frequent and welcome visitor to the tower of St. Martin's, who also attended the business meeting later. The only unfortunate thing in connection with this gentleman, said the chairman, was the fact that he was 'Mr. Wilkinson, of Mansfield,' instead of 'Mr. Wilkinson, of Birmingham,' with which remark the reverend gentleman was understood to agree. Mansfield papers please don't copy.

The Master of the Worcester Association, Mr. Albert Parsons, was also of the company, and pleaded eloquently for subscriptions towards the cost of erecting the memorial window in the cloisters of Worcester Cathedral, and his appeal did not entirely fall on stony ground or among thorns.

The Tipton veteran, Mr. Wm. Rock Small, helped the matter forward in his usual breezy manner, and the Chairman heartily commended it to the consideration of all present. Letters will find Mr. Parsons, if addressed to Beauty Bank, Old Hill, Staffs.

Routine business being disposed of, the Chairman said he thought it would be the wish of the members to place on record their appreciation of the efforts of Mr. George in connection with the testimonial to the Editor of the 'Ringing World,' and he therefore proposed 'that the members of the Guild heartily congratulate Mr. Jas. George upon the great success of his indefatigable exertions in connection with the Goldsmith Testimonial.'—This was seconded by Mr. Godden, and, needless to say, carried nem. con.

The honour was duly acknowledged by the gentleman hereinbefore mentioned, and it is beyond all argument that it would be a weary wicked world if absolutely every

—flower were born to blush unseen,

And waste its sweetness on the desert air.

A. P. S.

### DEATH OF DARLEY DALE RINGER.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Thomas White, a member of the band at St. Helen's Church, Darley Dale, Derbyshire. Mr. White rang his 51st peal at Darley Dale as recently as New Year's Eve, and was at his work as usual on the 14th instant. He was taken ill about midnight, was sent to Derby Infirmary on Thursday evening, the 15th, but died a short time after his arrival there. His death is a terrible shock to all who knew him. He was well known in ringing circles throughout the county, both as a splendid ringer and for his pleasant personality. It was largely owing to his keen interest that the first peal of Double Norwich by the local band was rung at Darley Dale on New Year's Eve.

After the funeral, on January 20th, a course of Grandsire Triples was rung over the grave by J. L. Wright, A. G. Wright, W. Taylor and J. Siddall, junr., and this was followed by a peal on the tower bells. A card on one of the many wreaths expressed the appreciation of all who knew Tommy that 'he was a man.'

### WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Warwickshire Guild was held at Rugby on Saturday week, and was well attended, members being present from Allesley, Birmingham, Coventry, Nuneaton, Northampton and Rugby. Ringing took place during the afternoon, and at the business meeting after tea, the Ringing Master (Mr. A. Roberts) presided. It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Warwick, and also to hold monthly meetings in February and March.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the late Master for his services to the Guild, to which Mr. James George responded.—Mr. Roberts then proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, and to the Rugby members for having everything in readiness.

The tower was again visited, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major were brought round.

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**THE CROYDON  
BELL FOUNDRY  
1920.**

**NEW BELLS AT HITCHAM, BUCKS.****A MINIATURE PEAL.**

An addition to the church bells of Bucks has recently been made at Hitcham, through the generosity of Col. L. H. Hanbury, C.M.G., of Hitcham Grange, and the parish church of St. Mary now possesses a really wonderful peal of six miniature bells, fitted with modern iron frame and fittings complete for proper ringing. The gift also includes a 7th bell which is used as a 'Sanctus,' and was pealed by Mrs. L. H. Hanbury in the course of the dedication services.

The small tower in which these bells hung was always considered too weak for a 'peal' of bells, but the 20th century art of the English bell founder and bell hanger has overcome all obstacles, and a musical and practical ring can here be heard without danger to the ancient fabric. The weights of the respective notes are as follows:—

	ewt.	gr.	lb.		ewt.	gr.	lb.
Treble	3	0	19 G		4	4	1 D
	2	3	2 10 F		5	5	0 5 C
	3	4	0 4 B flat	Tenor	6	0	11 B flat

Their casting and hanging is most creditable to the contractors, Messrs. Meara and Stainbank, of London, who went to much pains to ensure success, and designed a new set of cones and ropes specially for this peal, which are destined to become a standard mould for future similar orders.

The Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of Buckingham performed the dedication ceremony, assisted by the Rector (the Rev. Harold I. Wilson, M.A.), before a crowded congregation, numerous chairs having to be provided for extra seating accommodation. His Lordship climbed a difficult ladder to bless the bells, and after holy dedicatory prayers, handed them over to the care of the Rector and churchwardens by passing over the six ropes (duly tied together) just as they were received at the hands of the donor in the ringing room, which is on the ground floor, and open to the nave of the church.

A very pretty effect was produced by the rays of the setting sun shining through the west window, the six sallies of red, white and blue tufting hanging round the old stone font in the centre of the tower; the white-robed clergy; and the ringers stripped for their task standing by, with the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild of C.B.R.) and Col. Hanbury on either side of the stone archway.

Whilst the procession made its way back to the chancel a non-conducted six-score of Grandsire Doubles was performed by Messrs. Alder, Parker, Fussell, Martin, Henley and Welling, the same band in the same order also ringing a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor at the conclusion of service. An appropriate homely address was given by the Bishop, who referred to bells and their use and value, and the symbol of Christianity they embody.

Mrs. and Miss Hanbury had thoughtfully provided tea for those ringers who had come a long journey, which was much appreciated on a stormy day.

The tower was afterwards again visited, and touches of Bob Minor and Stedman Doubles rung, in which Messrs. A. A. Hughes (Whitechapel Bell Foundry), the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, M.A., and Mr. D. Smith took part, the first named representing the bell founders. An excellent 720 Oxford Bob Minor was rung for the evening service by Messrs. Macdonald, Parker, Welling, Martin, Fussell and Henley (conductor).

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****POSITION OF THE NORTHERN DISTRICT.**

The annual meeting of the Northern District was held at St. Anne's, Highgate, on Saturday week, but was not so well supported as it should have been. The bells were kept going, however, giving the beginners a good drilling in Grandsire and Stedman.

At the business meeting held subsequently in the Church Vestry, two new members were elected, viz.: Mr. A. Howell, of Dalston, and Mr. B. G. Hibbs, of Hornsey.

All the outgoing officers were prevailed upon to carry on for two ensuing twelve months, it being the view of the members present that a fair chance had not been given them to organise the district, their term of office expiring so closely upon cessation of hostilities. The officers, on the other hand, strongly expressed their opinion that success could only be attained by support; and it is hoped that members will bear this in mind when future meetings occur.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

A successful meeting of the Southern Branch of the Lincoln Guild was held at Grantham on Saturday week, when 50 ringers were present. During the afternoon and evening, the touches attempted included Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Caters, Kent Major and Royal, and Bob Royal.

At the business meeting, the Vicar of Grantham (Canon Hancock) occupied the chair, supported by the Rev. H. Law James and the Rev. C. J. Sturton (Vicar of Orston).

It was decided to hold a meeting at Peterborough on Saturday, July 3rd.—On the proposition of the Rev. H. Law James, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar of Grantham for the use of bells, the service, and for presiding at the meeting.

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**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at York on Jan. 31st. The bells at the Minster (12) and Clifton (6), also Bishophill (6) will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Divine service in the Minster at 4 p.m.; at which the Rev. Canon C. C. Bell will preach.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A branch meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Reports ready.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Important Notice.—A district meeting will be held at Colchester, on Jan. 31st. St. Peter's (8), All Saints' (5). Bells available from 2.30; Short service with address 4.30. Tea at a moderate charge will be served in St. Peter's Parish Room followed by business meeting. Members in this division are specially requested to attend as the district officers for the newly-formed division will be appointed. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due.—B. Redgwell, Rayne St., near Braintree.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Greenwich, on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service and address by the Rev. F. J. Tackley (Vicar), at 5.30 p.m. Tea 1/- per head at Burton's Restaurant, Nelson St. Business meeting to follow. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due and should be paid at this meeting.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Dis. Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**HEREFORD GUILD.**—Clifford District.—The annual meeting will be held at Clifford, Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells (8) ready 2 p.m. Service 5.30, tea 6 p.m.—J. P. Hyett, District Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cary Deanery.—The annual meeting will be held at Castle Cary on Jan. 31st. Bells available from 2.30 till 9 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at the Vicarage at 5.—Ernest F. Creed, Castle Cary, Hon. Sec.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Warkton on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells open at 2.30; service at 4.30; tea at 5. Weekley (6 bells) will be open after 6.—R. F. Turner, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells ready 2.30. Tea 5 o'clock at Barker's Cafe. Business meeting 6 p.m.—Thomas H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Christ Church, St. Leonards-on-Sea, Jan. 31. Christ Church tower open from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m., Blacklands at 6.30. Tea (kindly provided by the Christ Church Band) at 4.30, evensong 5.30. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due.—Geo. H. Howse, Sec., Latimer Road, Eastbourne.



**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Raunds on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Bells available 2.30; service 4.30; tea 5. Meeting to follow. — James Nickerson, Dis. Sec., Halford St., Thrapston.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Weston-super-Mare on Saturday, 31st inst. Service in the Parish Church 5.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Bells (8) afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, 35, Oxford Street, Burnham-on-Sea.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The annual branch meeting will take place at Swindon on Saturday, Jan. 31st. The Parish Church and St. Mark's bells will be available from 2.30 p.m. Service at Parish Church 4 p.m. Tea, 4.30, at King's Arms Hotel.—H. W. Bishop, Branch Sec., Church View, Wanboro, Swindon.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Estab. 1637.—The sum of 1/8, which entitles members who have not attended 20 times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, should be paid before Feb. 29th. Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on Feb. 3rd; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 5th and 19th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 10th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 24th; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Peter's, Tunbridge Wells, on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Tower open at 2.30. Committee meeting at 4; service in church at 4.45; Tea 1/3 per head in the Parish Room at 5.30, but names must reach me not later than Tuesday, Feb. 3rd. Business meeting after tea. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due and should be paid at this meeting.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—The first annual meeting of the above district will be held at Hereford on Saturday, Feb. 7th. St. Nicholas (6) available 3.30 to 5.30. Cathedral (10) 7.30 to 9. Service in St. Nicholas Church 5.30, preacher the Bishop of Hereford. Tea in St. Nicholas Parish Room 6.15, free to members notifying me not later Feb. 3. Business meeting to follow. It is earnestly requested that all members will make an effort to be present at this meeting as there will be matters of great interest to discuss.—C. Edwards, Hon. Sec., Gt. Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Liverpool, on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service at 5. Meeting at 5.30.—Rev. E. C. Collier and Walter Hughes, Secs.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Harpenden on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells (8) available at 3.15. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, District Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A meeting will be held at King's Langley on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available 3 p.m. Arrangements for tea in Church House are being made. Those wishing to attend please notify the Secretary as early as possible. All ringers are cordially invited.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec. (*pro tem.*), 85, Glencoe Road, Bushey.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Wellingborough District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Irthlingborough on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells ready at 3. Divine service at 4.30, an address will be given by the Rev. Walter Frift. A meat tea will be provided free to all those who let me know by Feb. 4th.—W. Perkins, District Sec., 6, Addington Road, Irthlingborough.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Farnworth on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available 5 to 8 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The February meeting will be held at Ecclesfield on Saturday the 7th. Bells (8) from 3 o'clock. Tea will be provided at a charge of 1/- per head to all those who notify Mr. T. Kitson, 39, High Street, Ecclesfield, not later than Tuesday the 3rd. I ask intending visitors to bear this in mind as it is very important that it should be done.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above Branch will be held at St. Werburgh's, Bristol, on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 in the Schoolroom.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A meeting will be held at Baldock on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.30, followed by business meeting.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. District Sec., West Hill, Hitchin.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—The annual District meeting will be held at Isleworth on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service 5 p.m. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. A. M. Relton), 6 p.m., at the London Apprentice, followed by business meeting. All ringers welcome. On account of the meeting there will be no practice at Heston on this date.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Stone-in-Oxney on Saturday, Feb. 7th. The bells will be available from 2 p.m.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly meeting at Worksop on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available from 2 to 8.30 p.m. Tea provided if 20 send in by Feb. 3rd.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Broomfield on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting at the Coffee House. Will all intending to be present at tea please notify me not later than Wednesday the 11th?—P. Timson, Hon. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society). Estab. 1824.—The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 14th. St. Clement Danes open 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea in Parish Hall, Clare Market, at 5.50. Business meeting 6.45. Tea, 6d. per head, to those informing me not later than Feb. 11th.—T. Walker, Hon. Sec., 50, Cannon Street, E.C.4.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting of the Maidstone District will be held at



Hollingbourne on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 o'clock, business meeting after. —Stephen Hayzelden, District Sec.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Surfleet on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Service at 3.30. Dinner will be provided in the Schoolroom (adjoining the Church) at 1 o'clock for all those intending to be present, tickets 2/6 each. Will those who require dinner please send their names to Mr. R. Richardson, 'Glyn Garth,' Surfleet, Spalding, not later than Feb. 9th? Stations: Surfleet, G.N., Pinchbeck, G.N. and G.E. (2 miles).—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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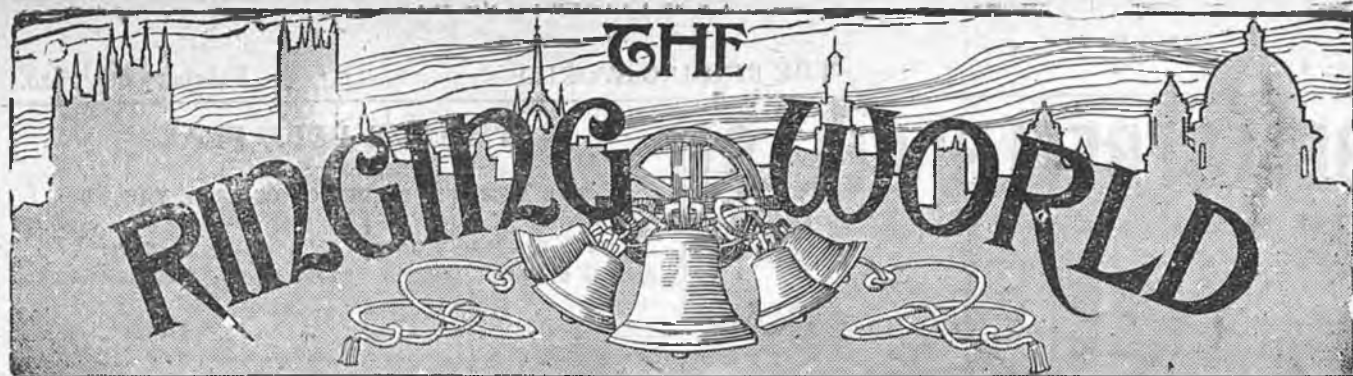
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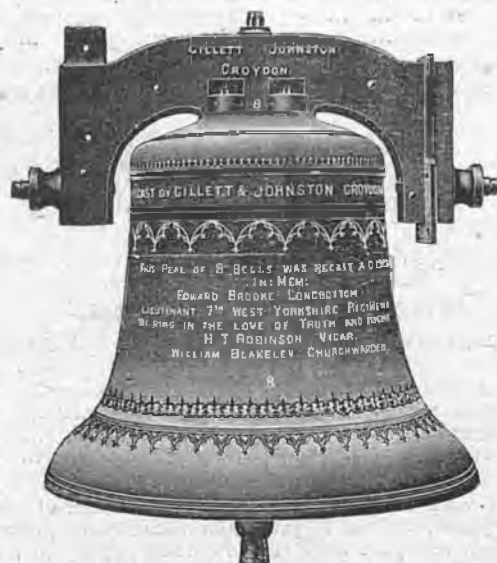
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By its action in extending the scope of reference of the Literature Committee, the Central Council at the Gloucester meeting took a wise step, but there is a much wider field yet for its work in organising an educative campaign, which should be carried outside the limit of the ringing circle. In conjunction with the various Associations, much valuable work might be done among the public by means of lectures and so forth, as well as by instructive Press propaganda, and we hope to see, at no distant date, some scheme on well organised lines for giving effect to this. It could well form part of a greater scheme, which might include lectures of a more technical kind for the special benefit of ringers, for there is not one of us who could not learn something to improve his knowledge of the art from thoughtfully prepared papers by some of those men among us who, admittedly, have a deeper insight into our inexhaustible science than has the average ringer.

Such a scheme of educational propaganda may seem to some a trifle too advanced, but it could be reached, and reached effectively, if those who are in the position to do so were to take advantage of their position. It needs the Central Council as the mainspring, with the affiliated Associations acting in their respective areas, but it is a scheme which requires thoughtful preparation and unity of action. Upon the value of such propaganda work we need not here dwell, except to say that one of the first advantages of educating the public more widely than at present would be to demonstrate that church bell ringing is not a practice which is carried on on sufferance, but that it is established by immemorial right as part of the duties required by the church service.



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AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK,  
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 50 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. Treble	HENRY G. MILES... .. 7
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## TEN BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM,  
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 6
REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 2	*ARTHUR MASON... .. 7
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 3	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. 8
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	*THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 9
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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Consisting of Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire.  
Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

ALFRED A. RACKHAM... .. Treble	JOHN H. RACKHAM ... .. 5
LOUIS S. GRIFFITHS ... .. 2	*WILLIAM JONES... .. 6
JAMES P. HYETT... .. 3	EDWARD PUGH ... .. 7
SIDNEY T. RACKHAM ... .. 4	JOHN JONES... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. S. GRIFFITHS.

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THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

WILLIAM J. ALDRIDGE ... Treble	NORMAN NORTH ... .. 5
FRANCIS GROVE ... .. 2	SAMUEL BATEMAN ... .. 6
WILLIAM WATCHORN ... .. 3	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 7
WILLIAM H. WELLINGTON... 4	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.  
Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE.

This peal was rung half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mrs. Evereet, widow of the late Ven. Archdeacon of Lewisham, who was for some years Rector of Woolwich. Both well known to ringers in this district.

CRAYFORD.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*WALTER COE ... .. Treble	*HERBERT ANDSLEY ... .. 5
†SIDNEY ANSTEAD ... .. 2	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 6
GEORGE POVEY ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 7
FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN. 4	JOSEPH SPOONER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

\* First peal. † First peal of Grandsire on an inside bell.

ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM FAREY ... .. Treble	*GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 5
SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE ... .. 2	*JOHN R. MAIN ... .. 6
WILLIAM R. PARKER ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 7
†HARRY PETTIT... .. 4	JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. ALLEN.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method away from tenor.

FOXEARTH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

THOMAS CHINNERY ... .. Treble	ARTHUR MAXIM ... .. 5
PERCY GRIDLEY ... .. 2	FREDERICK INCH ... .. 6
WILLIAM UNDERWOOD ... 3	ARTHUR TAYLOR ... .. 7
ARCHIE IVES... .. 4	SAMUEL EVANS ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.  
Conducted by SAMUEL EVANS.

HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, January 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

*WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT... Treble	†VICTOR G. H. EMUS... .. 5
JOHN CARTER ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
GEORGE GARRISON ... .. 3	GEORGE PIGOTT... .. 7
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS... .. 4	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE PIGOTT.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman, also first peal of Stedman as conductor. Rung as a birthday peal to the conductor, also to celebrate the Ratification of Peace on the 10th January, 1920.

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANCES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

SIENEY ANSTEAD ... .. Treble	RICHARD MORGAN ... .. 5
GEORGE POVEY ... .. 2	JOHN WHEADON ... .. 6
*HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. 3	HERBERT A. HOLDEN... .. 7
FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN. 4	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.  
Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

\* First peal of Major.

CROWLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

WILLIAM H. JOHNSON... .. Treble	GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... 5
JOHN J. JEFFRIES... .. 2	*WILLIAM LEWIS... .. 6
WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 3	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 7
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4	GORDON W. CHECKETTS ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.  
Conducted by GORDON W. CHECKETTS.

This was the quarterly peal for the Western Branch. J. J. Jeffries was elected a member before starting. \* First peal of Bob Major.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

ROBERT HOLLOWAY ... .. Treble	CHARLES PALMER ... .. 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 6
WILLIAM WATTS... .. 3	KEITH HART... .. 7
JOHN JAY ... .. 4	CAPT. J. R. MACKMAN... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.  
Conducted by CAPT. J. R. MACKMAN.

Mr. R. Holloway hails from Acton.

CARDINGTON, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

EDMUND E. DUFFIELD ... Treble	HERBERT J. HARLOW ... .. 5
HARRY LEAR... .. 2	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 6
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 3	CHARLES WM. CLARK... .. 7
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 4	HERBERT SHARP ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.  
Conducted by CHARLES WM. CLARK.

SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, RANMOOR,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

SAM THOMAS (Cathedral) ... Treble	FRANCIS WARD (Cathedral) 4
THE REV. J. R. LEE NICHOLLS	J. E. L. COCKEY (Ranmoor) 5
~ (Ranmoor) ... .. 2	W. CHOWN (Pitsmoor) ... 6
JOSEPH OSGUTHORPE (Ranmoor) ... .. 3	W. S. PLANT (Ranmoor) ... 7
	CHARLES HAYNES (Ranmoor) Tenor

Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

Rung in commemoration of the Ratification of the Treaty of Peace with Germany, and of the victorious conclusion of the war with that country. First peal and first attempt by the Vicar of Ranmoor (the Rev. J. R. Lee Nicholls), and the first time in the Diocese of Sheffield that an Incumbent has taken part in a peal on the bells of his own church.

CHELSEA. — At St. Luke's Church, on Nov. 9th 1259 Grandsire Callers: H. H. Mance (first quarter-peal) 1, W. Essery 2, A. Hardy 3, G. Watkin 4, A. Newman 5, W. Dean 6, A. Reeve 7, W. Barber 8, H. Mance (conductor) 9, H. Burton 10.

EARLSHEATON.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

WALTER IDLE ... .. Treble	HEMMINGWAY DRANSFIELD ... 5
JOHN W. DEW ... .. 2	GEORGE H. HARDY ... .. 6
JOSEPH HEWITT ... .. 3	HERBERT DRANSFIELD ... 7
MISS OLIVE LUMLEY ... 4	GARFORTH TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. H. HARDY.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

NUTFIELD.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 16, 1919, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 of the following methods: Cambridge Surprise, Violet, Woodbine, College Exercise, London Scholars, Oxford and Kent,

T. S. LEESON ... .. Treble	W. BEESON, JUN. ... .. 4
A. E. WOOD ... .. 2	W. CHEESMAN ... .. 5
*A. E. CHEESMAN ... 3	F. HAWKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. HAWKINS.

\* First peal.

MEARS-ASHBY, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

ALFRED KNIGHT ... .. Treble	GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 4
DANIEL REDHEAD ... 2	HARRY MEADOWS ... .. 5
LEONARD J. WYMAN ... 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Bob Minor.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN SPENCER ... .. Treble	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 4
GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... 2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 5
EDGAR BAILEY ... .. 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

This peal was arranged and rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. E. S. J. Rayson (brother-in-law of the conductor) and Miss Elsie Mary Louise Catchpole, daughter of the late Mr. W. L. Catchpole of the St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich. The wedding took place at St. Mary's Church, Stoke, Ipswich, on Dec. 24th. The band wish them every happiness, the bridegroom lost his left arm in the War.

BARTON-ON-HUMBER.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, January 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.

HAROLD EASKY ... .. Treble	MISS L. M. MOBBS ... .. 4
PERCY HOODLESS ... .. 2	WALTER GODDARD ... .. 5
WALTER AYRE ... .. 3	*ARTHUR H. HOODLESS ... Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR H. HOODLESS.

Rung in honour of the consecration of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, Dr. Swayne (which took place on the Feast of the Epiphany). First peal by the ringers of the treble and 4th and rung at the first attempt. Miss Mobbs is the first Barton lady to score a peal. \* First peal as conductor.

CHARLWOOD, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Friday, January 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Violet, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, College Exercise, Kent and Oxford.

Tenor 16 cwt.

ARTHUR KNAPP ... .. Treble	ALFRED D. MILLS ... .. 4
JOHN AKEHURST ... .. 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 5
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 3	ALBERT ELLIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT ELLIS.

SAXMUNDHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two 720's of Kent Treble Bob and two 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

FREDERICK W. WATLING ... Treble	GEORGE GREENACRE ... .. 4
GEORGE BENNETT ... .. 2	JOHN W. AVIS ... .. 5
SERG. J. BENNETT, R.M. 3	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDK. W. WATLING.

Arranged and rung to oblige the ringers of the 2nd and 3rd, the latter being on leave from H.M.S. 'Phaeton,' which arrived in England from the Baltic on the 1st Jan., 1920.

CHARLBURY, OXON.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHIPPING NORTON DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

**AT THE PARISH CHURCH,**

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

ALBERT STURDY ... .. Treble	WALTER BUSBY ... .. 4
HERBERT SHAYLOR ... .. 2	WALTER LARGE ... .. 5
JACK KEYTE ... .. 3	ALFRED SHAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. LARGE.

Rung to celebrate the signing of Peace. First peal by all except the conductor, and the first peal that any local men have taken part in on the bells. All are Sunday service ringers except the conductor. The ringers were kindly entertained to tea by Churchwarden Bowl after the peal.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(ROSS DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,**

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt.

EX-SERG. J. WILLIAMS ... Treble	ALLEN E. GWYNNE ... .. 4
JOHN BEVAN ... .. 2	JOHN CLARK ... .. 5
JAMES BLAKE ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

LEADENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Consisting of 720 each of Kent Treble Bob, Fulbeck Bob and Single Court, and two 720's each of Oxford and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

RICHARD W. PORTER ... Treble	CHARLES W. ELSE ... .. 4
CHARLES W. BAINS ... .. 2	JOSEPH NORTH ... .. 5
GEORGE SCOTT ... .. 3	CALEB L. SIMCOCK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE SCOTT.

## WOODCHESTER, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 42 Six-scores.

Tenor 11 cwt.

*BASIL LATHAM ... .. Treble	ADOLPHUS HERBERT ... .. 4
GEORGE LATHAM ... .. 2	FRANK COLE ... .. 5
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 3	ALBERT HANKS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

\* First peal.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Eleven Minutes.  
In the Vestry of St. Margaret's Church,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 1-2	*JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 5-6
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 3-4	†FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 7-8

Composed by the late Rev. J. HOLME PILKINGTON.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal of Oxford 'in hand.' † First peal in the method on an inside pair.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
In the Common Hall at the Abbot's Hospital,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Holt's Original.

Tenor size 21 in D.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: JOHN HEATHORN, PHILLIP PALMER, MRS. A., Miss A. M. and Mr. A. HEATHORN and MRS. PULLING.

This peal was arranged and rung in honour of the 96th birthday of Mr. John Heathorn. The old gentleman sat and listened to the whole peal.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
In the Belfry of St. Margaret's Church,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANCES;

*ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 1-2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 7-8
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 3-4	*FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 9-10
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5-6	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 11-12

Composed by H. E. DURRANT. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.  
Witnesses: G. WILSON, J. G. ROMSEY, H. KERBLE, J. TITTERTON.

\* First peal on twelve bells. First peal on twelve 'in hand' by all. First peal of twelve as conductor. First peal of treble twelve 'in hand' in the county by the Association and by a local company. First peal of Maximus rung by six brothers and rung as a birthday compliment to E. S. Bailey.

## LONG STANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

## THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Nine Minutes,  
At the Vicarage,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor size 12 in F.

*J. B. WOOLLEY ... .. 1-2	†REV. H. B. WOOLLEY ... .. 3-4
C. W. WOOLLEY ... .. 5-6	

Conducted by J. B. WOOLLEY.

Umpire: W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First as conductor. † First peal of Minor and in hand.

## LONG STANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

## THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 15, 1920, in Two Hours,  
At the Vicarage,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

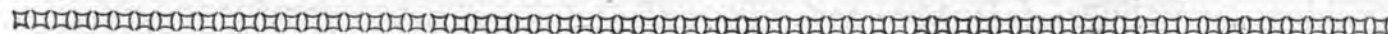
Being seven 720's each called differently.

J. B. WOOLLEY ... .. 1-2	REV. H. B. WOOLLEY ... .. 3-4
C. W. WOOLLEY ... .. 5-6	

Conducted by C. W. WOOLLEY.

Witness: Miss WOOLLEY.

First peal as conductor, aged 13.



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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

A memorial peal tablet, erected to the memory of the late Mr. H. Hampson, who died of wounds received in the war, is to be unveiled in the belfry of St. Thomas's, Moorside, Oldham, on Feb. 21st.

A member of the band at the Parish Church, Middlesbrough, for 32 years, Mr. John Henry Jones has passed away. He was very regular in the discharge of his belfry duties, and was held in the highest respect by his colleague.

The peal rung at Market Harborough, on January 3rd, 1920, and reported in last week's issue, should read 'First peal of Bob Major on these bells.'

A notable performance has been accomplished by Mr. Arthur J. Morris, of Harwich, who, in the presence of competent witnesses, has tapped Holt's ten-part peal of Grandsire Triples. We believe, however, that these performances are not recognised by the Analysis Committee of the Central Council.

### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

#### NORTH AND EAST DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.

Between 50 and 60 members attended the annual meeting of the North and East District on Saturday, at Christ Church, Southgate, when from 3 o'clock onwards, except during the interval for service, tea, and business, the fine peal of bells was kept going to a variety of methods ranging from Grandsire Triples to London and Bristol Surprise.

The service was conducted by the Rev. Prof. R. de Geoy-Hampson, who gave a very interesting address on the duties of ringers towards the church; whilst the singing, led by the choir, was accompanied by the organist, Mr. P. Bigg, himself a member of the Southgate band and of the association.

Following tea at the Cherry Tree hotel, the business meeting was held, and the members were welcomed by the President (Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O.), who was supported by the Rev. R. de G. Hampson, Mr. C. E. Barker, Mr. F. A. Milne, J.P. (hon. treasurer), Mr. J. Armstrong (Master), Mr. W. H. Oram, etc.—The Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles) submitted the balance sheet, which showed a balance in hand of £15 13s. 1d., an increase of £3 12s. 9d., on the year's working. Besides this sum, the district has £73 13s. 8d. invested in five per cent. War Loan stock, so that the financial condition could be considered as satisfactory.—The balance sheet was passed subject to audit, and a short statement was made by the hon. secretary on the work of the district during the past year. As far as he could judge, said Mr. Coles, the district was quickly recovering from its war-time losses. Most of the bands had been reformed, and although it had not been possible, during the short period that had elapsed since his own return, to go over the whole ground, yet he thought he could say that they were well on the way to a complete recovery of all they had lost during the war. In 1919 there had been elected one honorary and six ringing members, whilst three members had been lost by death. There had been a considerable number of lapses of membership through non-payment of subscription, and they would probably find their membership about the same as at the end of the previous year.

The whole of the retiring officers were re-elected, and the president thanked the hon. secretary (pro tem.), Mr. W. H. Oram, whose services during the last three years had been of such value to the society.

Nineteen new members were then elected, including the Rev. R. de Geoy-Hampson and Mr. C. E. Barker, both of Southgate, as honorary members.

A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the Vicar (the Rev. C. F. Peplow) for the use of the bells, and to all those who had contributed to the success of the meeting.

The handbells were brought into use immediately after tea, when a 'bob course' of Stedman Cinques was rung by Messrs. J. B. Williamson, J. Thomas, W. Pye, G. R. Pye, W. Hewett, and G. M. Kilby.

### DEATH OF A NORTHANTS RINGER.

The Central Northants Association has lost an enthusiastic member, and the Higham Ferrers band a loyal colleague, by the death of Mr. Arthur Chapman, who has passed away at the age of 39 years, after nine weeks' illness, leaving a widow and two children to mourn their loss. The deceased had been a ringer for about 20 years, and rang his first peal (Grandsire Triples) at Higham Ferrers on Oct. 19th, 1901. His best peal was at Cardington, Beds, on August 23rd, 1913, when he rang the treble to a perfect peal of Cambridge Surprise Major, which was rung from start to finish without a trip. Deceased's last peal was at Higham Ferrers, on February 19th, a half-muffled peal of Grandsire Triples, for the late Mr. J. B. Martin.

The funeral took place at Higham Ferrers Cemetery, when the local ringers, who sent a wreath, were represented by Messrs. Randall, Everett, Garrett and Sneathers. In the evening the Parish Church bells were rung half-muffled.

The following are a list of his peals: Bob Minor (7 methods) 9, Bob Major 3, Grandsire Triples 11, Stedman Triples 12, Double Norwich 9, Superlative 7, Cambridge 1; total 52.



### SURPRISE METHODS. SUPERLATIVE'S 'GAUDY OUTSIDE.'

To the Editor.

Dear Sir.—Since Mr. Carter will not answer my questions I turn to the Appeal Court: the Exercise at large.

First, then, let me try and make it quite clear to them what a cross section is. For this purpose we will place the chart of a treble bob method upon the map of England, and we will choose the South Coast. The treble dodges in 1-2 in Hampshire, it then crosses the county boundary—a cross section, and dodges in 3-4 in Dorset, another cross-section, and we dodge 5-6 in Devon, and after the third cross section we dodge 7-8 up in Cornwall. We now make a place and dodge 7-8 down, but we are still in Cornwall. We have not had any cross section, we have crossed no county boundary, and if we try to cross the boundary at the Land's End we shall be at sea, as we all shall be if we follow Mr. Carter's lead.

I am sorry that I cannot myself answer the two questions that I put to Mr. Carter. In the first place I cannot imagine why he wishes to change the definition, nor can I think of any single advantage that we should get by doing so. Perhaps, then, I had better tell the Exercise why I do not want it changed.

If we are to follow Mr. Carter's rule, we can take Superlative and leave out seventh's place, and we have a variation which is nearer to Superlative than any other method can be, but one is to be classed as a Surprise Method, and the other is not. If I take Bob Major and put in another place, 7ths, when the treble lies behind, we have Double Bob. Are we to have different classes for these two methods? Now, to be logical, if we are to have methods in different classes for these small differences, we must have different class for any greater differences; and so in the end we shall have as many classes as there are methods, which hardly seems to me to be an advantage.

Again, in the Central Council's collection of six-bell methods there are forty-one Surprise Methods, all of which have been practised and, as far as I know, approved of by the six bell ringers.

If we are to follow Mr. Carter, twenty-one of these will cease to be Surprise Methods. The collection will have to be reprinted. Again I ask why? And again I shall receive no answer!

In conclusion, let me make an assertion: I do not see why all the asserting is to be on one side.

Bristol Surprise is Bristol Surprise, and it will be known as Bristol Surprise, and rung as Bristol Surprise when Superlative is resting in eternal silence.

For Superlative is like the shows at a fair; all the attraction is on the outside, but when you lift the tent door and look inside what do you find? A dirty nigger, perhaps, in a pair of cotton drawers and some wicked-looking boxing gloves, with which he is quite ready to damage your countenance.

Are you aware in Superlative that the seventh only comes up behind with the tenor for ten rows in the plain course and the sixth the same? All the rest of the time the tenor is dodging with the fourth and fifth, and better music you cannot have. The plain course is the gaudy outside of the Superlative show, but as soon as you call a few bobs to get a peal, up comes the second like the devil at prayers and puts an end to the golden dream. Don't tell me of your twelve courses with the sixth at home, it is only 120 rows that she is behind with the tenor in the whole lot of them. Cambridge, which only allows five courses with the sixth at home, will give no less, while in the twelve courses of Bristol we can get 576 rows. And in the best peals of Superlative the second will be up behind with the tenor for 168 rows, while Charlie Middleton's peal of Cambridge puts it to shame with only 72, and any respectable peal of Bristol will be content with 0. Superlative has had its day, it is time to strip off its gaudy covering and show the nasty nigger inside.—Yours faithfully,  
E. BANKES JAMES.

### A PEACE PEAL AT RANMOOR, SHEFFIELD.

A well-struck peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on the bells of Ranmoor Church, Sheffield, on January 17th, in commemoration of the ratification of the Treaty of Peace with Germany, which occurred a few days earlier. The peal was notable in several respects. It was the first peace peal rung in the City of Sheffield, and, being the first peal (rung at the first attempt) by the Vicar of Ranmoor (the Rev. J. R. Leo Nicholls), it is the first time in the Diocese of Sheffield that an incumbent has taken part in a peal on the bells of his own church.

At the conclusion of the peal, the Vicar received the hearty congratulations of the band on his performance and on his excellent handling of his bell, and he responded by inviting those present to join him in a substantial tea at the Vicarage, which was greatly appreciated, and to which full justice was done.

It may be added that the band was appropriately chosen, the two members from the Cathedral being ex-Ranmoor ringers (the conductor, Mr. Sam Thomas, having taught several of those present the art of change ringing), and the ringer of the 6th coming from All Saints', Pittmoor, where Mr. Nicholls formerly held a curacy, and where he first learnt to handle a bell.

The Church authorities intend to record the peal, by placing a suitably inscribed peal board in the ringing chamber at an early date.

### 'THE LAUGHTER OF MUSIC.'

Under this heading, the 'Morning Post,' which not many days previously had published a long article upon carillons, printed a leader upon bells. It is a step forward when a newspaper of the importance and influence of the 'Morning Post' gives editorial prominence to such views as are expressed in the following:—

'Change ringing has been called the laughter of music. But it is much more than that to all of us. It decorates the fleeting time with arabesques of coloured sound, which form a fitting accompaniment to the emotions, be they joyous or sorrowful, of those that hear it. The soul-compelling powers of bells, it is true, have been diminished since the waning of the Middle Ages, the great ago of Christianity when Earth seemed the ante-chamber of Heaven and the strait gates of mortality stood always ajar. We no longer believe that the music of bells laughs to scorn and drives away the blue malignant mists which brood over a plague-smitten land. And, since we cannot believe in it, so salutary a miracle is now impossible. But, in the countries of the vine, at any rate, there are many simple, Christian folk who are sure that the clangour of great bells will break and dissipate a storm of lightning and pelting hail more effectively than the wide-mouthed noise-guns invented for the same purpose. Yet the love of change ringing, which caused England to be called 'the Ringing Isle' in a bygone century, is still quick in the hearts of Englishmen. Therefore, we wish good fortune to all the fraternities of bell ringers, both great and small, who ply their long-descended craft—a noble athletic pursuit indeed!—in innumerable belfries, and have the art always to turn a holiday into a holy day. During the war women often took the places of the ringers who had gone to the war, and many of them attained such skill that they still keep their place in the aerial choirs. Change ringing will doubtless remain the Englishman's favourite form of music in the heavens, for he is still the most conservative of racial types in all matters that appeal to that giant heart of memories and tears and laughter which is called nationality. But we may yet hope that another and more subtle art of bell music will be cultivated in this country—the art of the keyboard carillon, which enables the artist to interpret noble compositions for the largest and loftiest of instruments and is a heritage of the people in Belgium and Holland. So that it is good tidings to know that a tower is to be built and a fine keyboard carillon installed therein at Loughborough as a War Memorial to the fallen townsmen.'

### MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

#### A QUARTERLY MEETING.

The third quarterly meeting of the Midland Counties Association was held on Saturday, January 17th, at North Wingfield, Derbyshire, when members from Nottingham, Derby, Duffield, Leicester, Chesterfield, Loughboro', and the surrounding neighbourhood, put in an appearance. The bells of the parish church—itsself a landmark for a considerable distance—were kept going in various methods, from Grandsire to London, that doughty warrior, John Flint, being mainly responsible. Tea was served in the schoolroom adjoining, when 31 sat down to an excellent 'uncontrolled' repast, and were excellently waited on by ladies, who, although 1920 is Leap Year, had evidently not got into their stride (in sporting parlance), and whose gracious modesty made gastronomical exertion both a pleasure and a delight.

The business meeting followed, Ald. R. B. Chambers, vice-president, occupying the chair. Matters of a purely routine character were dealt with, but notice of motion for alteration of rules were given, viz.: To raise the entrance fee to 3s. and the yearly subscription to 1s. 6d. instead of 2s. 6d. and 1s. as formerly, and to provide for a vice-president in each of the seven districts.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. A. C. Wright) read the minutes of the special committee meeting held at Derby, at which it was resolved to produce a report for the war period, 1915-1919. Commenting upon Central Council criticisms, the Chairman remarked that with new blood and new ideas no doubt the Council could be got back into its former state of efficiency.

The Hon. Treasurer, Mr. W. Willson, said that he thought one or two delegates would be quite sufficient to represent the Association. In fact, he had come to the conclusion that the day of the Council's usefulness was over. That there was little the Council could do that the Association could not do for themselves. In this he was in agreement with Mr. Arthur Knights.

It may be mentioned that it is probable that the strength of the membership will not call for four delegates as formerly.

About 20 ringing and honorary members were made, the Derby district coming out quite 'top of the poll' in this respect.

A hearty vote of thanks to the chairman for his presence, to the local company for their arrangements, and to the Vicar for the use of the bells, brought a successful meeting all too soon to a close, when those who could afford to laugh at railway companies climbed once more to the ringing room, in which time the unlucky ones ran to catch their train.

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**THE OXFORD GUILD.****INTER-BRANCH MEETING.**

An inter-branch gathering of members of the Sonning Deanery and the E. Berks and S. Bucks branches of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Warfield, when a successful afternoon's muster took place, about 45 hands taking part in the ringing, service, and tea. Proceedings began with the ropes at 3 p.m., with Doubles and Minor, and ended with Stedman and Major methods at 9 p.m.; several young hands venturing upon the most difficult task of all—the accurate striking of their own bells in rounds.

Service was held at 5 p.m., the Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) assisting. The address was given by the Vicar (the Rev. Clifford Toogood), Tennyson's old poem, 'The Bells,' and much that it conveys in these days of labour and domestic difficulties, forming an appropriate theme for a congregation of men.

The Master read out the list of 17 men belonging to the Sonning Deanery Branch, who had 'fought and won,' as follows: F. Baston, F. W. Emblem, S. Stacey, A. Hawkes, N. Hale, S. Gearing, G. Howard, A. M. Priest, E. W. Lloyd, A. Doe, G. Collins, F. Collins, E. Cox, A. V. Loader, C. H. Ridout, T. D. Russell, A. Norcott. An interval for prayer by the congregation standing in silence was observed.

The Master occupied the chair at the tea, which was held in the Brownlow Hall, a fine building given for the use of the parish by the late Field-Marshal Sir C. H. Brownlow, who was also the means of restoring the tower and the long-silent bells of St. Michael and All Angels' Church in 1913 to the memory of Lady Brownlow.—The Master was supported by the Vicar of Warfield, Mr. R. T. Hibbert (diocesan secretary), two lady ringers—Misses A. H. Walker and V. Robinson—and Messrs. Bristow, Brant, Giles, Paice, Jos. White, and others. Canon Coleridge wrote expressing regret at not being able to be present. A pleasant hour was spent by diocesan ringers (who were ignoring their branch dividing line) with mutual advantage, and a wish was expressed that the gathering should be an annual one. It was disappointing to the handbell men to find an ancient set of twelve with boxwood clappers were past double-handed work.

Mr. Hibbert was responsible for a vote of thanks to the Vicar for his address and kind arrangements for the combined practice and refreshments, and Mr. S. Paice for thanks to the Master for coming to help the proceedings, both motions meeting with unanimous applause. An outward sign of the inward gratitude that ringers feel towards those who practically assist their calling.

The company represented some 14 towers, and also included Messrs. Bungay, Rance, W. Paice, Henley, Brooks, Jeffery, Brant, junr., T. S. Smith, J. W. Croft, Green, W. Welling, Crocker, Chaney, senr. and junr., Skinner, Inglefield, Hopkins, Herridge, Cole Clark, Darlow, Moth, Avery, Boyd, Ing, Diaper, Bayley, Briggs, Gill, Gale, Parkes and Fussell. The local service roll showed that 17 ringers of this parish had gone to fight on the 'field-of-war.' Would that the late Sir Charles were living now to know that the bells he generously gave in 1913 had brought forth the men to defend them from the invaders' destruction, threatened in 1914. W. H. F.

**THE YOUNGEST RINGER.**

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—With regard to your paragraph re John Hartill, I beg to inform Mr. J. W. Beddard, with all respect to his pupil's ability, that the lad has not created a record. Mr. James W. Washbrook, junr., raised and tolled the sixth bell at Arklow for the death of Queen Victoria, on January 22nd, 1901, being then only eight years of age. He made his first attempt for a peal within a few months of that date.—Yours faithfully,  
RICHARD F. DEAL.

Another ringer who began his campanological career at an early age was Mr. T. Groombridge, junr., who, at the age of nine years and three months, was able to hunt the treble to a six-score of Grandsire Doubles. Before, however, he had advanced far enough to attempt an age record for a peal on tower bells ill-health compelled him to relinquish the art until the age of seventeen.

**LINKINCHESTERBRIDGE GUILD OF STRANGE RINGERS.**

Bob Myner had a motor-car, 'twould cough and squeal and sob, and when he took it down the street 'twould dodge like treble bob. The people hunted left and right and sought to make a place, and gladly would have missed a bob for any vacant place. The car it made no inside place, close to the curb it flies. Now was this merely a Delight or was it a Surprise?

Answers to the above, together with threepence in stamps to be forwarded to Mr. Robert Cauter (hon. secretary), 168 Queen's Row, Dobell Court, London, W.M.H. The funds thus collected will be utilised in making bobs at home.

**THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.**

Further alterations to rules have been made by the College Youths in rule 3 'twopence' is substituted for 'one penny,' and in rule 7 instead of 'threepence' 'sixpence' is to be read.

**NOTICES.**

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading will in future be at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Estab. 1637.—The sum of 1/8, which entitles members who have not attended 20 times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, should be paid before Feb. 29th. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Feb. 19th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheap-side, on the 10th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 24th; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Peter's, Tunbridge Wells, on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Tower open at 2.30. Committee meeting at 4; service in church at 4.45; Tea 1/3 per head in the Parish Room at 5.30. Business meeting after tea. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due and should be paid at this meeting.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—The first annual meeting of the above district will be held at Hereford on Saturday, Feb. 7th. St. Nicholas (6) available 3.30 to 5.30. Cathedral (10) 7.30 to 9. Service in St. Nicholas Church 5.30, preacher the Bishop of Hereford. Tea in St. Nicholas Parish Room 6.15. Business meeting to follow. It is earnestly requested that all members will make an effort to be present at this meeting as there will be matters of great interest to discuss.—C. Edwards, Hon. Sec., Gt. Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Liverpool, on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells ready at 3.30. Service at 5. Meeting at 5.30.—Rev. E. C. Collier and Walter Hughes, Secs.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Harpenden on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells (8) available at 3.15. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, District Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A meeting will be held at King's Langley on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available 3 p.m. Arrangements for tea in Church House are being made. Those wishing to attend please notify the Secretary as early as possible. All ringers are cordially invited.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec. (*pro tem.*), 85, Glencoe Road, Bushey.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Wellingborough District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Irthlingborough on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells ready at 3. Divine service at 4.30, an address will be given by the Rev. Walter Frift.—W. Perkins, District Sec., 6, Addington Road, Irthlingborough.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Farnworth on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available 5 to 8 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The February meeting will be held at Ecclesfield on Saturday the 7th. Bells (8)

from 3 o'clock. Tea will be provided at a charge of 1/- per head.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above Branch will be held at St. Werburgh's, Bristol, on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 in the Schoolroom.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A meeting will be held at Baldock on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.30, followed by business meeting.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. District Sec., West Hill, Hitchin.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—The annual District meeting will be held at Isleworth on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service 5 p.m. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. A. M. Kelton), 6 p.m., at the London Apprentice, followed by business meeting. All ringers welcome. On account of the meeting there will be no practice at Heston on this date.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly meeting at Workop on Saturday, Feb. 7th. Bells available from 2 to 8.30 p.m.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Workop.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—Next meeting at Stalybridge (H.T.) on Saturday, Feb. 14th. The Lord Bishop of Chester will preach at the service.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Sec.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District.—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 14th, at Leighton Buzzard. Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcomed.—A. King, Hon. Sec.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wootton on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells ready 3 p.m.; Service 4.30; tea at 5. Will those requiring tea kindly inform me by Feb. 10th?—T. Law, District Sec., St. Peter's Cottages, Weston Favell.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Winchester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Winchester on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Cathedral bells (10) 2.30 to 4, and in the evening, also St. Maurice's (6) afternoon and evening; tea at St. Maurice Hall at 5.15, those intending to be present will please notify me not later than the 11th. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due.—W. H. George, District Sec., 1, Newtown Road, Eastleigh.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Broomfield on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting at the Coffee House. Will all intending to be present at tea please notify me not later than Wednesday the 11th?—P. Timson, Hon. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting of the Maidstone District will be held at Hollingbourne on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 o'clock, business meeting after.—Stephen Hayzelden, District Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Sawbridgeworth on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Tower open 2 p.m.; Service 5.30, followed by business meeting; tea will be provided.—F. Dench, Hon. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society). Estab. 1824.—The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 14th. St. Clement Danes open 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea in Parish Hall, Clare Market, at 5.50. Business meeting 6.45. Tea, 6d. per head, to those informing me not later than Feb. 11th.—T. Walker, Hon. Sec., 50, Cannon Street, E.C.4.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Ash, on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells available from 3 o'clock; Service at 4.30; tea at 5.30, 9d. to members, 1/6 to visitors.—John J. Jones, Hon. Sec., 3, Bridge Street, Guildford.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Surfleet on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Service at 3.30. Dinner will be provided in the Schoolroom (adjoining the Church) at 1 o'clock for all those intending to be present, tickets 2/6 each. Will those who require dinner please send their names to Mr. R. Richardson, 'Glyn Garth,' Surfleet, Spalding, not later than Feb. 9th? Stations: Surfleet, G.N., Pinchbeck, G.N. and G.E. (2 miles).—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Pendleton, on Saturday, Feb. 21st, and not at St. John's, Deansgate, as already announced. Bells ready at 4, meeting at 7.—W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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The list now being closed, I take this opportunity of thanking the subscribers to the fund. It is very gratifying to me to know that with their valued and kindly assistance we have been the means of helping the widow and family of an old brother ringer and friend, and on behalf of them I tender their thanks, gratefulness and appreciation.

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**ALLESLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.**—On December 17th, 1919, at the Parish Church, 720 of Canterbury Pleasure Minor: G. Gardner 1, A. O. White 2, H. Summers 3, C. Aylett 4, J. Taylor 5, G. H. White (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method on the bells, and by all the band except the conductor.—On December 24th, 720 of Bob Minor: G. Gardner 1, H. Summers 2, C. Aylett 3, F. Gardner (first 720 with a bob bell) 4, J. H. White (conductor) 5, J. Taylor 6.



**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.****ANNUAL DINNER TO BE REVIVED.**

The annual meeting of this society was held on Saturday last, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, by the kind invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard), himself an hon. member. As usual, the reverend gentleman provided a substantial tea in the church room, to which about sixty sat down, including a fair number of ladies, but the proceedings were somewhat lacking through the absence of the genial Vicar himself through indisposition, more particularly as he has made it his invariable custom to be with the members on this annual occasion. Shortly after three the old bellry was housing a goodly number of ringers from various parts, which gradually increased until 'standing room only' was the order. Touches in various methods were brought round on eight, ten, and twelve bells until six o'clock, when the adjournment took place for tea.

Following this the usual business was got through in a fairly expeditious manner, the only bone of contention being the question of delegates to the Central Council, some members—in common with other societies—feeling that the benefit derived from the Council was hardly worth the expense. However, the matter ended in the subscription to the Council being voted. Another item of interest to members who were unable to be present was the determination evinced to resuscitate the annual dinner. Members are, therefore, requested to make a note that it is hoped to arrange this for a Saturday at the end of April.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Master, Mr. J. D. Matthews; secretary, Mr. H. J. Bradley; treasurer, Mr. B. Foskett; senior steward, Mr. F. Smith; junior steward, Mr. J. W. Cornford; trustees, Mr. Chapman and Mr. R. Warner. During the evening Mr. Mac-Master, churchwarden of St. Martin's, looked in, and gave a few words of cheery welcome. The next quarterly meeting it is hoped to arrange for Leatherhead.

The balance sheet was considered very satisfactory, as also was the number of new members made during the year.

The remainder of the evening was spent in little reunions among old friends, while a fine peal of handbells, at one time the property of that late stalwart of the society and ringing in general, Mr. H. Dains, received a fair share of attention.

A special general meeting will be held on Saturday, March 13th, at the King of Denmark, Old Bailey, following the practice at St. Bride's to consider an important matter with regard to finance.

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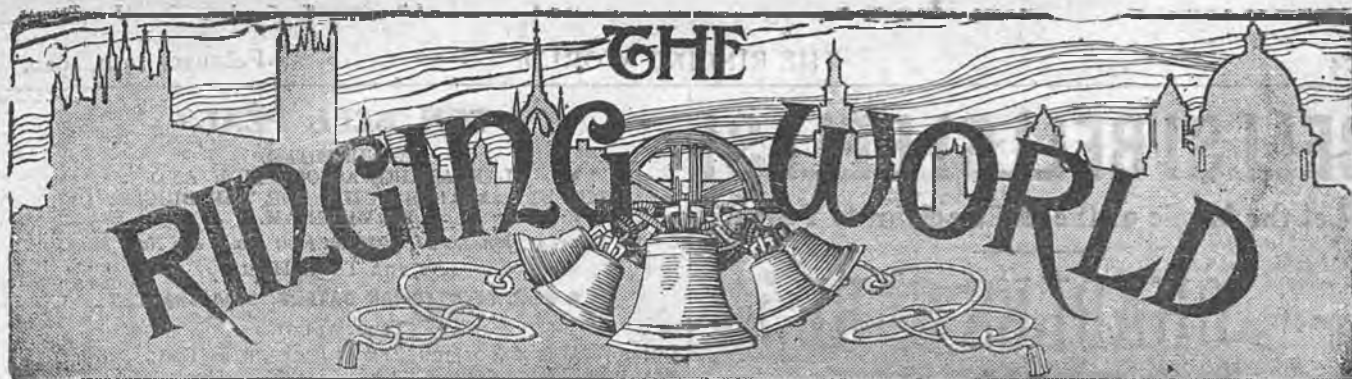
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## THE POWERS OF THE COUNCIL.

A considerable number of the large Associations hold their annual meetings at Easter, and will soon be preparing their programmes for these proceedings. How many of them, we wonder, will include in the agenda the question of whether the Central Council is to be given power to enforce its decisions? From the published reports of the meetings of those Associations which have held their annual gatherings since last Whitsuntide only a few, apparently, have concerned themselves with the subject, and we doubt whether, when next the Council meets, it will be in possession of the considered views of anything like a majority of the affiliated bodies. If only all those who meet between now and Whitsuntide will take the opportunity of coming to a decision on the point upon which they have been asked to express an opinion, it will be some guide to the feeling of ringers; but it is strange that matters concerning the Central Council, unless it is the triennial election of members, are more often than not ignored.

Somewhat or other it seems, with some Associations, that it is nobody's business to bring before the members the various subjects that from time to time get remitted from the Council for consideration, either, as in the present instance of the question of plenary powers for the Council, by direct reference, or by the adjournment of a subject for a year in order to sound the opinion of the rank and file. The question of its future powers is a matter of prime importance to the Council, and the organisation of the Exercise, but, so far as we are able to ascertain, not half the Associations who have met for their annual business have troubled to discuss it. Whose fault this is we are unable to say. We are unaware whether the Council has itself formally circularised the affiliated bodies on the matter, as it ought to have done, but in any case it should be the duty of the representatives to see that such questions are brought to notice at the proper time. Unless they do this they fail in their responsibilities, for while they are not merely delegates to vote as directed, but are given the widest discretion, they are, after all, the connecting link between the Associations and the Council, and ought to be relied upon to keep the two in touch.

The future of the powers of the Council is really an important subject, however we may view the question of enforcement, and, when the numerous meetings at Easter and in the succeeding weeks are held, we hope that something will be done to have the matter discussed. Upon the decisions of the Associations must depend the shaping of the future of the Council, and no satisfactory policy can be settled upon if only half the affiliated organisations have expressed an opinion upon the subject.



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## TEN BELL PEAL.

MANCHESTER.  
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION AND  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Four Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE TOWN HALL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tenor 53 cwt.

JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN. <i>Treble</i>	RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 6
FRANK W. PERRENS ... .. 2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7
GEORGE SWANN ... .. 3	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 8
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 4	JAMES W. WASHBROOK ... 9
FREDERICK PAGE ... .. 5	AMOS TRIPPIER ... .. 10
	JOSEPH WILSON ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

OATLANDS PARK, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... <i>Treble</i>	ALFRED WOODROW ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... .. 2	ALAN R. MACDONALD ... .. 6
WILLIAM A. WOODROW ... .. 3	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD ... .. 7
HAROLD J. WALTON ... .. 4	ALBERT A. HUGHES ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

First peal of Triples on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Edna Woodrow, daughter of the ringer of the 5th.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE ALDER ... .. <i>Treble</i>	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 5
CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. 2	JESSE ELDRIDGE ... .. 6
GEORGE MARTIN ... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 7
RICHARD BUCKLAND ... .. 4	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING.

First peal in the method as conductor.

ASHTED, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 14 cwt.

*MRS. C. H. DOBBIE ... <i>Treble</i>	JOHN T. SCOTT ... .. 5
ALFRED H. PELLING ... .. 2	†GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 6
CHARLES N. BURDOCK ... .. 3	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... .. 7
FREDERICK GODDARD ... .. 4	GEORGE SPENCER ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by ALFRED H. PELLING.

\* First peal. † First peal on an inside bell in the method on tower bells.

BROXBORNE, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN THOMAS ... .. <i>Treble</i>	WILBY J. HAZEL ... .. 5
CHARLES V. HARE ... .. 2	FREDERICK SABAN ... .. 6
WILLIAM SABAN ... .. 3	GEORGE RADLEY ... .. 7
FRANK JELF ... .. 4	THOMAS MILES ... .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by G. RADLEY.



LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS,  
**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt. in E flat.

GEORGE MARRINER ... .. Treble	JOHN HOYLE ... .. 5
* JOHN BEANS ... .. 2	ALBERT DARNELL ... .. 6
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
† JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by A. H. WINCH.

\* First peal in the method. † 60th peal.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Tuesday, January 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

BERNARD ALLSOP ... .. Treble	EDWIN BLACKWELL ... .. 5
JAMES L. WRIGHT ... .. 2	ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... .. 6
HENRY GREGORY ... .. 3	JOHN SIDDALL, SEN. ... .. 7
WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. 4	MAURICE FROGGATT ... .. Tenor

Composed by THOMAS DAY.

Conducted by ALFRED C. WRIGHT.

Rung with clappers half-muffled, after the funeral, to the memory of Thomas White, one of the local band, who was taken ill and died on the 15th.

CAVERSHAM.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, January 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' ONE-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

EDWIN J. MENDAY ... .. Treble	JOSEPH HANDS ... .. 5
FREDERICK POUNDS ... .. 2	REV. CECIL JENKYN ... .. 6
RICHARD T. HIBBERT ... .. 3	ERNEST W. MENDAY ... .. 7
ALBERT D. CULLEN ... .. 4	HENRY SIMMONDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST W. MENDAY.

Rung to celebrate the signing of Peace.

MIDDLESBROUGH.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

* LOUIS AINSWORTH ... .. Treble	† SIDNEY TURRELL ... .. 5
THOMAS METCALFE ... .. 2	ALEXANDER MACFARLANE ... .. 6
JOHN G. HALL ... .. 3	THOMAS LANCASTER ... .. 7
WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... .. 4	JOHN W. PASSMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by JOHN W. PASSMAN.

\* First attempt for a peal in any method. † First peal in the method on an inside bell. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the memory of John Henry Jones, who had been a member of the belfry for 32 years.

PUTNEY.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 16½ cwt. in F.

THOMAS BOLTON ... .. Treble	* CHARLES COLLIS ... .. 5
JOSEPH HERBERT ... .. 2	JOHN P. KENT ... .. 6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3	EDWARD CASSELL ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. LEE ... .. 4	† PERCIVAL W. NORTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

† First peal. \* First peal on an inside bell.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19 cwt.

THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. Treble	JOHN SMITH ... .. 5
JOHN WITHERS ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 3	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 7
JOHN BASS ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by FRED ROBINSON. Conducted by THOMAS J. SALTER.

First peal in the method on the bells.

CHESTER.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

EDWARD HARRISON ... .. Treble	MARTIN HARRIS ... .. 5
GEORGE JONES ... .. 2	FRANK G. MILTON ... .. 6
* FRED LATHAM ... .. 3	GILBERT GERRARD ... .. 7
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 4	FRANK FOX ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

The above are all members of the tower. \* First peal; also first peal in the method by all except the ringers of 4th and 6th.

DUNSTABLE, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE PRIORY CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

* FRANK RAMSEY ... .. Treble	† FREDERICK BALDOCK ... .. 5
† ROBERT HARRIS ... .. 2	GEORGE HELEY ... .. 6
* CHARLES E. KING ... .. 3	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... .. 7
CANON W. W. C. BAKER ... .. 4	* WILLIAM HORNE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR E. SHARMAN.

\* First peal. † First peal inside. ‡ First peal in the method. The above are all members of the local company, and it is the first peal ever rung in Dunstable by a local company.

CHERTSEY, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

J. W. MOORHOUSE'S. Tenor 20 cwt. 14 lb.

* MISS L. STEVENS ... .. Treble	H. J. CHAFFEY ... .. 5
* A. BUSH ... .. 2	A. E. GRAY ... .. 6
J. CROCKER ... .. 3	J. B. HESSEY ... .. 7
G. WARINTON ... .. 4	H. R. STEVENS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. B. HESSEY.

\* First peal. The ringer of the 2nd was elected a member of the Guild previous to starting. This is the first peal rung in Chertsey by an entirely local band.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

* CHARLES SAMFSON ... .. Treble	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 5
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 6
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 3	JAMES G. ROMSEY ... .. 7
* ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 4	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method. Rung on the 12th anniversary of the first Surprise peal on the bells.

FLIXTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

FRANK SMITH ... .. Treble	FREDERICK PAGE... .. 5
RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 2	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN. 6
GEORGE TURNER ... .. 3	HARRY CHAPMAN... .. 7
SAMUEL GREENHALGH ... 4	JAMES W. WASHBROOK ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

First peal of Superlative on the bells.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART (reversed). Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lb.

WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... Treble	ALFRED MEARS ... .. 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 2	CHARLES W. GOODENOUGH 6
FREDK. W. ROMAINE ... 3	WILLIAM H. GEORGE... .. 7
LEONARD HARRIS... .. 4	OWEN H. GILES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Arranged for ringers 3, 4 and 6.

FINDON, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22 cwt.

JOHN R. MAIN ... .. Treble	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 5
ANDERSON Y. TYLER ... 2	*GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 6
JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 3	WILLIAM FAREY ... .. 7
WALTER PERKINS ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by WILLIAM J. ALLEN.

\* First Surprise peal and rung at the first attempt.

WARFIELD, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb.

T. S. SMITH ... .. Treble	WALTER A. WEBB ... .. 5
† OSCAR GILBEY ... .. 2	CHARLES GILES ... .. 6
WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 3	ARTHUR W. PIKE ... .. 7
FRANK HOPGOOD ... .. 4	*EDWARD JEFFERY ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by CHARLES GILES.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

GAYWOOD, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 11, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 20's called differently.

*ELSIE HAWES ... .. Treble	ROBERT GREENACRE ... .. 4
*FRED MITCHELLS ... .. 2	THOMAS GREENACRE ... .. 5
WILLIAM MITCHELLS ... 3	GEORGE HAWES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE HAWES.

Rung on the anniversary of Armistice Day. \* First peal.

GAYWOOD, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 17, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Mins.,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

**A PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT'S MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

ELSIE HAWES ... .. Treble	THOMAS GREENACRE ... .. 4
WILL MITCHELLS ... .. 2	B. M. TARGETT ... .. 5
ROBERT GREENACRE ... 3	GEORGE HAWES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE HAWES.

First peal of St. Clement's Minor rung in this district.

GEDNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(ELLOE DEANERIES BRANCH.)

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

J. T. M. FLETCHER ... Treble	T. HANNAH... .. 4
W. HANNAH ... .. 2	A. H. MUNSON ... .. 5
H. V. FLETCHER ... .. 3	*C. SHEPPARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. V. FLETCHER.

\* First peal. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute to the memory of the soldiers of the village who gave their lives for their country in the Great War.

STANDON, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford  
Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 17 cwt.

SIDNEY CARTER ... .. Treble	BARNARD PATMORE ... .. 4
NATHAN PATMORE ... .. 2	ERNEST A. OVERALL ... .. 5
HENRY WALLACE ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

ELSTOW, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, January 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND HELENA,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Kent, Oxford and Woodbine Treble Bob, and two 720's each of Single Oxford and Plain Bob Minor. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*ERNEST COOPER... .. Treble	FRANK WEBB ... .. 4
MISS NORA COOPER... .. 2	HERBERT L. HARLOW ... 5
HORACE H. COOPER... .. 3	†EDWARD WHITE... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. WHITE.

\* First peal. † First peal as conductor. Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar (the Rev. S. V. Hartley), who was inducted that day.

BISHOP'S HULL, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

ARTHUR SYMONS ... .. Treble	ERNEST WILKINS... .. 4
ARTHUR HAYWARD ... .. 2	FRANK CAVILL ... .. 5
PERCY MERSON ... .. 3	THOMAS J. SMITH ... Tenor

Conducted by P. MERSON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of all those who made the great sacrifice during the war from the parish. Rung on the first anniversary of the death of Harry Webber, a former member of the bellry and choir (who died at Calcutta, Jan. 22nd, 1919), by six of his returned comrades.

**FIVE BELL PEAL.**

LITTLE WALDRINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.  
ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of 2,160 of Grandsire, 1,440 of St. Simon's  
and 1,440 of Plain Bob.

*HARRY DAY ... .. Treble	†STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... 3
HARRY CORNELL ... .. 2	WALTER HEAD ... .. 4
JAMES MARTIN ... .. 3	... .. Tenor

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Doubles. This was rung as a compliment to D. A. S. Symonds, son of the conductor, also to Mr. D. Elliot, of Henny, Essex, whose birthdays occurred on the day previous.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

SIBLE HEDDINGHAM, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At the Residence of Lewis Wiseman.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 changes each of Double Court, College Single,  
St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent  
Treble Bob.

LEWIS WISEMAN ... 1-2 | SIDNEY HALE ... 3-4  
OLIVE BROYD ... 5-6

Conducted by OLIVE BROYD.

Witness: ARTHUR WASH.

First peal in seven methods 'in hand' by all.

**CAMBRIDGE.**

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Saturday, January 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At TRINITY COLLEGE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY (Trin.) 1-2 | REV. E. BANKES JAMES (Cai.) 5-6  
W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 3-4 | B. P. SHEPPARD (Trin.) 7-8

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

**LONG STANTON, CAMBS.**

THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, January 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At the VICARAGE,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5520 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Worcester, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Single  
Court, Oxford Bob, Double Bob and Plain Bob, with 480 Little Bob.

J. B. WOOLLEY ... 1-2 | W. H. J. HOOTON ... 3-4  
C. W. WOOLLEY ... 5-6

Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

Witness: REV. H. B. WOOLLEY.

First peal in eight methods by all.

**BRISTOL.**

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD.)

On Tuesday, January 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
In the BELFRY OF ST. STEPHEN-THE-MARTYR'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANCES;**

ALFRED E. REEVES ... 1-2 | GEORGE CONDICK, JUN. ... 5-6  
RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... 3-4 | JOHN A. BURFORD ... 7-8  
WILLIAM A. CAVE ... 9-10

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD. Conducted by JOHN A. BURFORD.  
Umpire: PERCIVAL W. CAVE.

**LEISTON, SUFFOLK.**

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
In the VESTRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;**

ALLEN F. BAILEY ... 1-2 | ERNEST S. BAILEY ... 5-6  
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... 3-4 | FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 7-8  
JAMES M. BAILEY ... 9-10

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Witnesses: J. G. RUMSEY, A. KEEBLE, C. SAMPSON.

First peal of Oxford Royal by all.

**BIRMINGHAM.**

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, January 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
In the CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... 1-2 | JAMES E. GROVES ... 5-6  
GEORGE F. SWANN ... 3-4 | J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... 7-8  
\*ALBERT E. NORMAN ... 9-10

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES. Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

Referee: MR. MORRIS J. MORRIS.

\* First peal on handbells.

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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

The relinging of Llandaff Cathedral bells, with the augmentation of two trebles to make it a ring of ten, is just completed, and the bells were given a trial on Friday evening last.

The dedication and opening is fixed for Saturday, Feb. 21st, at 3.30 p.m. The bells will be available for all visiting ringers to have a pull after the service.

In memory of her brother Ernest, for many years a chairman and bell ringer at Penn, Mrs. Carden has presented a three-light brass corona to the parish church, where the bells have just been restored and augmented, and the ringers have given matting to cover the belfry floor.

### LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

To-morrow (Saturday), February 14th, twelve members of the Ancient Society of Painswick Youths, that ancient Gloucestershire ringing organisation, which was established 1688, will attempt a long peal of Grandsire Cinques at Painswick, starting at 10 a.m.

### THE PEAL AT MANCHESTER TOWN HALL.

The peal of Stedman Caters rung at Manchester Town Hall was a peace peal for the City of Manchester. The composition was rung for the first time, and is the longest length yet accomplished on the bells. Messrs. Perrens, Swann, Walker and Groves journeyed from Birmingham for the peal, which is, therefore, a sequel to a visit paid to that city by four Manchester ringers at the close of last year. Owing to long draught and springy ropes, a peal at the Town Hall is, at the present time, a somewhat difficult undertaking. The thanks of the band are due to Sergt. Walter Billinge, of the Manchester Police Force, for making the necessary arrangements with the authorities.

### DEATH OF MR. H. EVANS.

#### A WELL-KNOWN SUSSEX RINGER.

The death of Mr. Harry Evans, of Goring, Sussex, has removed one of the oldest and most respected ringers from the County Association. Mr. Evans passed away on January 30th, at the age of 77 years. He was one of the earliest members of the Sussex Association, which he joined 25 years ago, and from 1900 to 1914 was the hon. secretary of the Western Division, in the welfare and progress of which he took an especial pride. It is recalled that he had rung the bells of his parish church on 55 consecutive Christmas days.

He had rung peals of Kent Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich, Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples.

The funeral took place on January 30th, the following members of the Sussex County Association being present: Messrs. A. W. Groves (hon. secretary Western District), E. H. Lindup, H. Meelins, C. Hills, G. Gatland, Chipper, and several members of the local band, who acted as bearers. The bells were rung half-muffled.

### THE BELLS OF PENN.

#### NEW PEAL OF SIX FOR THE OXFORD GUILD.

Dedicated on Christmas Day, a new treble has been added at the Parish Church of Penn. The third, which was cracked, has been recast, the other of the old bells quarter-turned, and the whole of the peal hung in a new frame and fittings, making a capital peal of six. The Vicar's warden, Mr. A. H. Birch-Reynardson, has generously provided the funds for relinging and retuning the fine old bells and the recasting of the third, while the Vicar and other parishioners gave the new treble, which is to be known as the 'Peace' bell, and is inscribed, 'Gloria in Excelsis Deo. Pax, June 28th, 1919. The gift of Parishioners. B. J. S. Kerry, Vicar.' The inscription on the recast 3rd is 'To the glory of God. This bell was recast and the peal rehung by the generosity of A. H. Birch-Reynardson, Esq., Churchwarden. For Victory in the Great War, 1914-1919.'

The work has been splendidly carried out by the Whitechapel Foundry.

The new bell, after being dedicated, was rung alone for a few pulls by the foreman ringer—a grandson of Tom Fryer, who helped to ring the bells for the long period of 67 years—and after the service an excellent touch was given by the Penn Society, viz.: A. Randall (foreman), F. Allen, A. Bates, E. Bushy, E. Bates, H. Camvin, and S. T. Blackmore.

The tower was opened on January 7th to neighbouring members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, when, in addition to the local team, the following met to try the bells, and expressed their satisfaction with the 'go' and the work: Messrs. Starr, Mburn and Edwards, of Amer-sham; also Messrs. J. Blackmore, G. Gutteridge, C. Mayne, R. Buckland, R. Young, and W. Henley (conductor), who rang a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor.

DARTFORD.—At Holy Trinity Church, on January 4th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, for morning service, in 45 mins. by the local band: W. J. Wheaton 1, T. Groombridge, junr., 2, R. Morgan 3, H. Rayner 4, E. G. Bates 5, F. E. Ellis (conductor) 6, H. Audesley 7, E. Brown 8. First quarter-peal as conductor, and first quarter-peal by the ringer of the 7th.



## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. ANNUAL MEETING AT YORK.

The annual meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held at York on Saturday, January 31st, in dull and unsettled weather. The hum of the great bells in the peal at the Minster met visitors on their arrival, their admiration of the same being countered by some local residents wondering at the unaccustomed bustle and noise at their famous Minster.

The day's proceedings commenced with a committee meeting, after which Divine service followed in the Minster at 4 p.m. The magnificent singing will be a treasured memory to many visiting ringers, the anthem, 'Stand up and bless the Lord your God for ever and ever' (Gloss), being worthy of special commendation. The preacher, the Rev. Canon C. C. Bell, M.A., took as his text the words, 'Every member of the church in his vocation and ministry may truly and godly serve Thee,' taken from the second collect for Good Friday. The Canon gave a brief history of bells and their sacred and secular uses, and speaking of an experience on Lake Maggiore, said how he was impressed by the reverence of the hearers of the evening Angelus bell. He pointed out how the ringers' call was to the community to worship, and not to a small section of it. Change ringers in their art had no soloists but must all act corporately, or else the flow of changes was interrupted. The clergy looked on the ringers as their fellows, and as such both must be men of high character, and not be mere signposts; they must impress those around them by their Christian examples.

Tea followed in the Ebor Hall, after which the meeting was held in the Schoolroom of St. Michael-le-Belfry. The President (the Rev. C. C. Marshall) was supported by the officers of the association, and the various clergy of York, interested in bells, were present. Apologies were received from Messrs. F. Willey (Sheffield), and H. Williams (Leeds). Notice of motion was given to abolish life membership, and it was decided, on the motion of Mr. J. Cotterell, seconded by Mr. G. B. Rolland, to hold a general meeting at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, on Easter Monday.

The balance sheet was passed, on the motion of Mr. G. Horner, seconded by Mr. W. Horner, and a vote of thanks to the Dean of York, Canon Bell, and the various clergy who had placed their bells at the disposal of the meeting, was proposed by the President, and seconded by Mr. T. M. Barker. In reply, the Rev. C. J. Alexander (the Vicar of Clifton) extended a most kindly welcome to the visitors, to the ancient city of York, and this was supported by the Rev. J. Young, of St. Michael-le-Belfry. Mr. F. Earnshaw replied to a vote of thanks to the local company, and hoped the association would visit York again at an early date.

Mr. C. Glenn was re-elected as hon. general secretary. Mr. P. J. Johnson consenting to act pro tem. until Mr. Glenn was at liberty to resume his duties. Twenty new members were elected, these including an entire band from Pickering.

The Rev. C. C. Marshall was elected as trustee, in the place of Mr. W. Whitaker, who had resigned the post owing to his advanced age and increasing infirmities. Great regret was expressed at the resignation of Mrs. Whitaker, as he forms one of the small band now surviving contemporaries of the late Jasper Snowden, and was the first secretary of the association. The hope was expressed that he would long live to enjoy his retirement.

Handbell and tower ringing at the Minster, with Clifton and Bishop-hill, brought brain time all too soon, and left happy memories of a most pleasant meeting and kindly reception to all who undertook the journey, to this, one of the most ancient and glorious old cities of our country. P. J. J.

## DEATH OF BOTTESFORD RINGER.

We regret to announce the death, at the age of 69 years, of Mr. Daniel Gilding, a much respected member of the band at St. Mary's Church, Bottesford, Leicestershire. Mr. Gilding had been a ringer at the Parish Church for a number of years until quite recently, and was a most reliable ringer, being a great lover of Grandsire Triples. He had been a member of the Framland Society almost from its formation, and was held in high respect by all who knew him, being of a cheerful disposition, and always ready with a helping hand. He was regular and punctual in his attendance at both service and practice, but was obliged to resign in October last, owing to ill-health. He was sent to Nottingham Hospital on January 24th, and underwent an operation, from which he never recovered.

The deceased was a native of Bottesford, having spent the whole of his life there. His father was a ringer at St. Mary's for half a century.

He was laid to rest in his parish churchyard on Saturday, January 31st, six of his brother ringers acting as bearers.

As a tribute of respect the St. Mary's band rang, in the evening, a half-muffled quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1260 changes), with ten different callings, in 50 mins.: M. Bend 1, \*J. R. Jackson 2, Blakey 3, \*W. Hallam 4, A. W. Ward (conductor) 5, H. Thorby 6, L. J. Abbott 7, \*J. Reynolds 8, Ring with 4, 6, 8 covering. \* First quarter-peal.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. NORTH-EASTERN DIVISION'S NEW OFFICERS.

The recent division of the Essex Association into five instead of four divisions will, it is hoped, give a further stimulus to ringing in the county, and the first meeting under the revised scheme in the North-Eastern District, at Colchester on Saturday, January 31st, was certainly a success. Ringing took place at St. Peter's Church, where service was held, at which the Rev. Canon C. Triffitt Ward officiated, and gave a short address. The usual form of bell ringers' service, as sanctioned by the Bishop of the Diocese, was used.

An enjoyable tea was then partaken of in St. Peter's Parish Room, there being present: Canon Triffitt Ward; the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, the Hon. Treasurer and Secretary; Mr. C. H. Howard, of Braintree (Master); and Messrs. H. F. Cooper and E. Ridgewell; Divisional Officers for the Northern district. Over 40 members were present, and the following towers were represented: Braintree, Bocking, Rayne, Colchester, Great Bentley, Earls Colne, Feering, Kelyvedon, Stisted, Witham, Mistley, Great Bromley, Great Totham, Great Henry, Tending, Horkesley, Foxearth, Goldhanger, Maldon, Langham, Edmon-ton, Sible Hedingham, Greensted Green, Croydon.

At the business meeting, which followed, Mr. C. H. Howard presiding, Mr. William J. Nevard, of Great Bentley, was elected District Master, and Mr. H. T. Pye, of Colchester, District Secretary. The following new members were also elected: Messrs. J. D. Buckingham, C. G. Mann, J. R. Owers, G. A. Neville, A. Appleton, H. S. Clarke, A. C. Langford, G. W. Moss, and G. T. Honeywood.

The Chairman said that during the war they had built up a large reserve fund, which they would now have to expend on increasing the membership of the Association, and in doing much important work which had necessarily been untouched during the war. He mentioned that the Association had decided to hold its annual meeting on Whit-Monday, in Colchester, when the members would have an opportunity of viewing the antiquities and interesting features of the town.

The Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, proposing a vote of thanks to Canon Triffitt Ward, said that in Canon Triffitt Ward the Association had a very old friend. This was a familiar task to him, for he had been present on similar occasions in St. Peter's Parish Room for over forty years. He proposed a vote of thanks to Canon Ward for his presence there, and for the use of the Parish Room.

Mr. Howard, seconding, endorsed these remarks, saying that they were always sure of a hearty welcome when they came to Colchester.

Votes of thanks were passed to Mrs. Triffitt Ward and other ladies who assisted in the arranging of the tables and the management of the tea, and to the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre and Mr. C. H. Howard.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. STROUD BRANCH ANNUAL MEETING.

On Saturday, January 31st, a very pleasant and enjoyable time was spent by the 30 members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association who attended the annual meeting of the Stroud and District Branch from Painswick, Stroud, Bisley, Stonehouse, Minchinhampton, Avening, Chalford and Horsley. The Vicar (the Rev. A. W. Swayne) met the ringers at 3 p.m., and gave them a hearty welcome. The bells were raised in peal, and the Vicar rang with the visitors Doubles and Caters until tea, to which the ringers were entertained by the kindness of the Vicar.

The annual business meeting followed. The Rev. W. J. Clay (President of the Branch) presided, and the Branch Secretary (Mr. W. Tate) gave a report for 1919. He said ten meetings had been held; nine peals of over 5,000 changes had been rung; three new members had been elected, and there were now four honorary and 70 performing members in the branch. All were pleased to welcome back so many of the members of the branch who had been serving in H.M. Forces and to see them again taking their places regularly in the belfry and at the meetings.

The clergy and churchwardens were thanked for the use of the bells and also the Editor of the 'Ringing World' and the local Press for publishing the accounts of the meetings and peals.

The Branch Secretary presented the balance sheet for 1919, which was adopted as most satisfactory, showing a balance on the year forwarded to the treasurer of the association of £5 19s. 11d.

The retiring president and all the officers were unanimously re-elected, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded them for their services.

Divine service was then attended, and the Vicar (the Rev. A. W. Swayne) gave a most appropriate address. The tower was afterwards visited, and various touches of Grandsire Doubles, Triples and Caters and Bob Major were rung till 9 p.m.

SHORNE, KENT.—On Thursday evening, 5th February, 720 Kent Treble Bob: J. Avis, H. Argent, G. Ambrose, J. Burles, G. Morrad, F. M. Mitchell (conductor). In the afternoon the Rev. G. E. Marsh, late of Christ Church, Milton-next-Gravesend, was inducted as Vicar of Shorne, and the above was rung by ringers from the mother church at Milton.

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**BERE REGIS AUGMENTATION.****NEW TREBLE DELICATED.**

The re-opening of Bere Regis (Worset) bells took place on Thursday last week, and was attended by several members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, including the Master (Major Hughes D'Eath), the general secretary (the Rev. F. L. Edwards), the branch secretary, and a strong contingent of the Dorchester Branch, whose district this tower is in. Bere possessed a fine musical peal of five bells, with tenor 18½ cwt. in E flat, the treble dated 1658, 4th 1709, tenor 1698. These have been to the foundry of Mears and Stainbank, and have been overhauled, a new treble added and all rebung with new fittings in a new iron frame. The general opinion expressed was that the founders had made an excellent job, the splice of the treble being perfect. Bere can now boast not only of its grand edifice with its fine Transition Norman work, carved wood roof of the nave, remarkable with its fine beams decorated with effigies half life-size in the dress of the time, and fine pinnacled western tower, its ancient history, and one time royal residence, but also of one of the finest peals of six bells in the Diocese of Salisbury. Readers of Thomas Hardy's novels, especially 'Tess of the D'Urbervilles,' will be quite familiar with Bere, 'King's Bere,' where two fine canopied tombs of the D'Urbervilles, in Purbeck marble, are to be seen. Previous to the service of dedication the following band rang the opening touch of two 120's of Grandsire Doubles: 11. A. Runyard, Wool, 1; Major Hughes D'Eath, Buckhorn Weston, 2; H. Thomas, Fordington, 3; Rev. F. L. Edwards, Kington Magna, 4; C. H. Jennings, Wyke Regis, 5; H. Runyard, Wool, 6. The grand edifice was crowded. The Rev. R. C. V. Hodge (Vicar) officiated, and the Rev. A. L. Helps, R.D. (in the absence of the Lord Bishop) dedicated the new bell. This ceremony was followed by a few rounds on the bells by the above band, and the Rural Dean then gave a very fine address, taking for his text, 'Teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.' Following the service, ringing was kept up by the visitors for another hour, the local band ringing the last touch. Before leaving the belfry, the Branch Secretary impressed upon the local band the advisability of joining the Diocesan Guild, and its objects, and hoped they would take up change ringing.

At the kind invitation of the Vicar and Mr. W. Bedford (who has consented to act as secretary for the ringers) the visitors adjourned to the Vicarage and partook of a sumptuous supper, being waited upon by Mrs. Hodge and the Misses Bedford. The objects of the Diocesan Guild and change ringing were explained, and the Rev. F. L. Edwards proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the donors of the feast for their great kindness. This was supported by Major Hughes D'Eath and the Branch Secretary, and the Vicar, in replying, said he was very grateful to the members of the Guild for what they had already done. He thought a great deal of enthusiasm was displayed in golf, but he now believed the bell ringers surpassed it.

Everything points well for the Bere Regis bells and ringers, which should provide another tower in union with the Guild. The visitors, through the medium of the 'Ringing World,' extend their thanks to the Vicar and Mr. W. Bedford and the local ringers for their kind hospitality during their visit.

On Saturday, February 8th, some members of the St. Peter's Society, Bournemouth, visited the tower to try the bells. Touches of Minor and Doubles were rung, the 18½ cwt. tenor and other bells responding perfectly to the slightest pull of the rope. What was once a ring of five are now a fine mellow peal of six worthy of the historic tower and church, for Bere Regis Church possesses one of the finest examples of hammer roofs in the whole of England, erected by Cardinal Morton in the reign of Henry VII. The ringers were kindly entertained to tea at the Rectory after the ringing.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****SOUTHERN DISTRICT.**

The annual meeting of the Southern District was held at St. Giles, Gamberwell, when about 50 ringers were present, and the ten bells were going in the various methods soon after 3 p.m.—A short service was held in the church, when the Vicar gave an interesting address on the bells and their history. Tea was afterwards partaken of in St. Giles' Hall, which was kindly given by the Vicar, who extended a hearty welcome to the Association.

After tea, the business meeting was held, six new members were elected, and the balance sheet and report, which showed that the district had a record year for new members and attendance, were adopted.

The following officers were elected for 1920: Mr. H. Burton, Master; Mr. F. Smith, secretary; Mr. H. Mance, treasurer; and Mr. J. Aberberis, steward.—After a unanimous vote of thanks had been passed to the Vicar for his kindness, the tower bells were again rung till 9 p.m.

**FOLKESTONE.**—On Sunday, Feb. 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 49 mins.: J. Coppins (first quarter on the treble) 1, F. Orris 2, Miss E. Jarvis (first quarter) 3, A. Binfield 4, E. Bridges 5, T. Farley 6, S. Binfield (conductor) 7, W. Knight 8.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****MEMORIAL FUND.**

Further donations acknowledged by the hon. secretary (Mr. E. Guise): Amount previously acknowledged, £7 4s. 3d.; Coaley Ringers (Wotton), 12s.; Olverton Ringers (Bristol), 15s. 6d.; Mr. J. Williams (Card), £2 5s.; Mr. H. W. Fussell (Card), £1 15s.; Mr. R. Guise (Bristol), 3s. 6d.; Mr. H. Lewis (Horsfield), 10s.; Haresfield Ringers (Stroud), 6s. 6d.; Painswick Ringers (Stroud), £1; Mr. and Mrs. C. Guise, 5s. 6d.; St. James' Ringers (2nd), £4 11s. 6d.; St. Michael's Ringers, £1 6s.; total, £20 14s. 9d.

**ACCRINGTON RINGERS' JUBILEE.****TRIOS' LONG SERVICE.**

On Saturday last, an interesting gathering took place at Messrs. Lloyd's Cafe, Accrington, when local ringers and friends met to celebrate the completion of 50 years' service, in St. James' Tower, Accrington, by three of the local band, viz., Messrs. R. Scholes, J. Hindle and T. Newall.

The proceedings commenced with an ideal tea, presided over by the Rector of St. James' (the Rev. A. J. Morris), who was accompanied by Mrs. Morris. After tea, the Rector heartily congratulated the three veterans on their splendid record, and in mentioning the fact that Mr. Scholes used to ring the curfew bell at 8 p.m. to send people to bed, he (the Rector) wished Mr. Scholes could send everyone to bed by ringing a bell at 10 p.m. now.

The Rev. A. Horsfall (curate of St. James') said, nowadays everyone was being advised what to do to keep fit, but he had not yet seen the taking up of change ringing advocated, though, judging by results, in the present case it was evidently conducive to longevity and renewed youth.

In replying for the ringers, Mr. J. Hindle and Mr. T. Newall gave some amusing ringing reminiscences, and concluded by informing the company that each of the three ringers had received a congratulatory letter from the Bishop of Manchester.

The evening was then devoted to songs, charades, dancing, etc., during which 'Papa' Newall demonstrated how some of the 'owd uns' could still 'trip the light fantastic toe.'

A vote of thanks was passed by the guests for a very memorable and enjoyable evening, and was suitably replied to by Mr. Hindle for the ringers.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

On Saturday, January 31st, a combined practice was held at Ickleton, ringers being present from Saffron Walden, Wendens Ambo, Sawston, Stapleford, Great Shelford, and Cambridge. A short service was held in the church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. P. H. Cooke), who also gave an address. At the conclusion of the service, the ringers partook of tea, provided by the generosity of Mr. H. F. Beales, churchwarden. The Vicar presided at the tea table, and wielded the enormous teapot in a very satisfactory manner. Unfortunately Mr. Beales was unable to be present, but a hearty vote of thanks was accorded him for his kindness, and also to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and for conducting the service.

Handbell ringing afterwards took place, several tunes being rung. Touches of Grandsire Triples were also brought round by: F. Dench 1—2, A. E. Austin 3—4, F. Ritstow (conductor) 5—6, P. Webb 7—8. Ringing on the church bells took place both before and after tea, the methods being Grandsire and Plain Bob, and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A very successful and enjoyable meeting of St. Albans District was held at Harpenden on Saturday last, ringers attending from Dunstable, Luton, St. Albans, North Mymms, London, and the local band. The methods rung were Bob Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative.

At the business meeting, Mr. W. H. L. Buckingham was voted to the chair. One new member was elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Luton on March 13th.—A vote of thanks to the Rector for use of bells and to the chairman concluded the business.

**DATE TOUCHES.**

At Willesden, Middlesex, by the Middlesex Association, on Thursday, Feb. 5th, at St. Mary's Church, a date touch of 1920 changes of Kent Treble Bob Major, in 70 mins.: R. Kilby 1, G. C. Kilby 2, B. Fokett 3, A. Tennant 4, C. Radford 5, F. H. Crook 6, T. Newman 7, H. Kilby (conductor) 8.

At Lindfield, Sussex, on Saturday evening, January 31st, at the Parish Church, a date touch of Bob Minor (1920 changes), in 1 hr. and 5 mins., with the tenor covering: F. Howell 1, H. Tomsett 2, R. Holder 3, A. Tomsett (conductor) 4, W. Watts 5, F. Willie 6, E. Patching 7. Longest touch of Bob Minor on the bells, and by all except W. Watts.



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**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District. —The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 14th, at Leighton Buzzard. Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. All ringers welcomed.—A. King, Hon. Sec.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wootton on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells ready 3 p.m.; Service 4.30; tea at 5.—T. Law, District Sec., St. Peter's Cottages, Weston Favell.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Winchester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Winchester on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Cathedral bells (10) 2.30 to 4, and in the evening, also St. Maurice's (6) afternoon and evening; tea at St. Maurice Hall at 5.15. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due.—W. H. George, District Sec., 1, Newtown Road, Eastleigh.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Broomfield on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting at the Coffee House.—P. Timson, Hon. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting of the Maidstone District will be held at Hollingbourne on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 o'clock, business meeting after.—Stephen Hayzelden, District Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Sawbridgeworth on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Tower open 2 p.m.; Service 5.30, followed by business meeting; tea will be provided.—F. Dench, Hon. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society). Estab. 1824.—The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 14th. St. Clement Danes open 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea in Parish Hall, Clare Market, at 5.50. Business meeting 6.45.—T. Walker, Hon. Sec., 50, Cannon Street, E.C.4.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Surfleet on Saturday, Feb. 14th. Service at 3.30. Dinner will be provided in the Schoolroom (adjoining the Church) at 1 o'clock for all those intending to be present, tickets 2/6 each. Stations: Surfleet, G.N., Pinchbeck, G.N. and G.E. (2 miles).—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Estab. 1637.—The sum of 1/8, which entitles members who have not attended 20 times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, should be paid before Feb. 29th. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Feb. 19th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 24th; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A monthly meeting will be held at Allesley on Saturday, Feb. 21st. Bells (6) available from 3 o'clock.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Moorside (St. Thomas') on Saturday, Feb. 21st. Bells ready at 3. A memorial peal tablet, in memory of the late Mr. H. Hampson, is to be unveiled at this meeting. All ringers and friends are specially invited to attend.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Hertford on Feb. 21st. The bells of All Saints' (10), St. Andrew's (8) and the newly-augmented eight at Bengoe will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. A 15 minutes' service will be held in St. Andrew's at 5 o'clock, address by the Rector; tea at W. Crangs, Fore Street, at 5.30, 1/- each, business meeting after. All members and friends will be made welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, District Sec., Little Munden, Herts.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Pendleton, on Saturday, Feb. 21st, and not at St. John's, Deansgate, as already announced. Bells ready at 4, meeting at 7.—W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chipping Norton Branch.—A practice meeting will be held at Shipton on Feb. 21st. Bells from 2.30 p.m. The Master of the Guild will attend.—H. Dickins, Hon. Sec., Hook Norton.

**LOW MOOR, BRADFORD.**—Official re-opening of bells, which have recently been rehung, will take place on Saturday, Feb. 28th. All ringers are invited. Tea will be provided at 1/- per head to all who notify me not later than Tuesday, Feb. 24th.—J. W. Simpson, 4, Harby Fold, Low Moor, Bradford.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Late the St. James' Society (estab. 1824).—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Feb. 28th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open 4 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Headcorn on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Ringing from 2 till 4.30; service at 4.30; tea at George and Dragon at 5 o'clock, a short business meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present at tea kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, the 24th?—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The next meeting will be held at Swanscombe on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 3; service and address by the Rector (Rev. Campbell Ward) at 5; the Rector is kindly providing tea in the Parish Room at 5.30 to those who notify me by Tuesday, March 2nd; business meeting to follow. Subscriptions for 1920 should be paid at or before the meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. District Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Swindon on Easter Monday, April 5th. Important business, including war memorial. Will members watch these columns on March 19th and 26th for full details?—Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.



**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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**HARNET, HERTS.**—Middlesex County Association. — On Sunday evening, January 25th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, 1264 changes, in 48 min.: A. G. Crane 1, A. Glascock 2, F. H. Chaudler 3, H. J. Eldred 4, J. Sumpter 5, F. A. Milne 6, R. Roffey 7, N. A. Tomlinson (conductor) 8.

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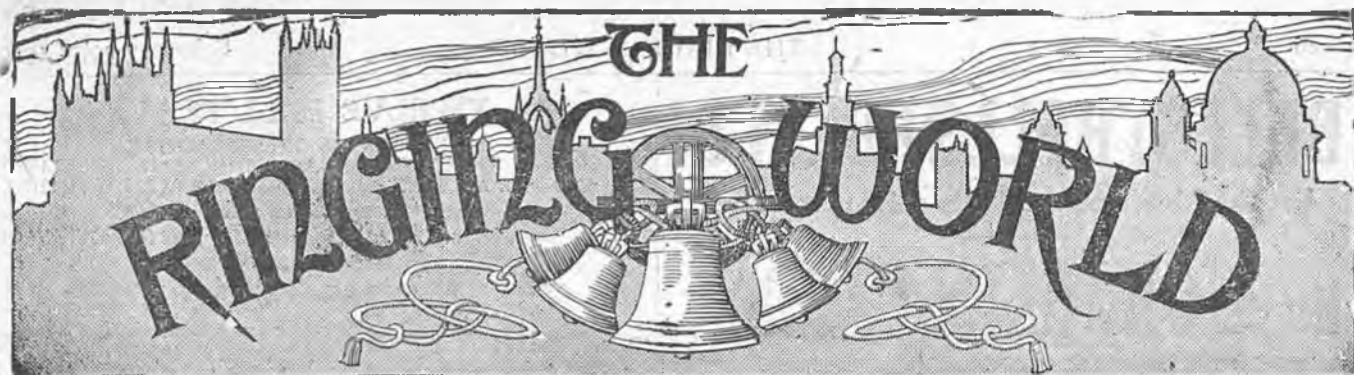
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## THE SOCIAL SIDE OF THE COUNCIL.

Not the least interesting part of the Central Council meetings is the social side of the gathering. Any ringer who has attended the annual assembly realises that the opportunities of fraternising and friendly intercourse which are offered make the journey to the venue of the gathering always worth while, even though the proceedings of the Council are themselves sometimes dry and uninteresting. Apart from stimulating the spirit of camaraderie characteristic of ringers, it helps to broaden one's views on subjects campanological, and get us out of the parochial feeling which long confinement to our own towers is bound to promote. Sometimes it has been argued that Associations ought not to bear the expense which is involved by sending representatives merely to give them 'a good time'; but very seldom, if ever, we feel sure, does any part of the cost of the 'good time' fall upon the ringing organisations. This part of the expense comes out of the pocket of the representative, and whether he enters into the social side of the gathering or not makes no difference to the amount of his railway fare, or the cost of his hotel accommodation. As long as he attends to the duties for which he was appointed he has fulfilled his obligation to his Association, and if he gets a modicum of pleasure from his visit to a distant town it is no loss to the Association that sends him. In the long run, in fact, it is a gain, for his presence interests the representatives of other societies in the welfare of his own Association, and thus serves to promote a closer relationship between all the organisations.

But up to the present the social character of the proceedings at the Central Council meetings has been largely made by private effort. Except for the gathering after the business meeting, nothing is officially arranged, and some may probably incline to the opinion that such matters are best left to private enterprise. A member of the Council, however, makes a valuable suggestion in our columns this week, and it is one which will, we think, commend itself to those responsible for organising the proceedings. This is that an official 'headquarters' should be established by the Council and the Association in whose area the meeting is to be held, to be available for the use of members from the preceding Saturday until the day following the meeting. These headquarters, it is suggested, should be a place where the visiting representatives could gather at any time during their stay in the town, enjoy rest and social intercourse, handbell ringing, and the like, and at the same time make use of it as a centre of information. With a little elaboration the Council might certainly, by this scheme, add to the attractions of the annual gathering, and, as the proposal is made in ample time, it might be inaugurated at this year's Northampton meeting.



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(ESTABLISHED 1686.)

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Eight Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 13001 CHANGES:**

Tenor 26 cwt.

THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 7
FRANK COLE ... .. 2	WILLIAM STAITE ... .. 8
WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. 3	ALFRED G. HANNIS ... .. 9
HUBERT SCRIVENS ... .. 4	CHARLES J. GARDINER ... .. 10
CHARLES H. AUSTIN ... .. 5	JOHN F. BALLINGER ... .. 11
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6	ALBERT HANKS ... .. Tenor

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES:**

HERBERT SHEPPARD ... .. Treble	JOHN BASS ... .. 6
SAMUEL J. HUGHES ... .. 2	*EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... .. 7
SAMUEL BAKER ... .. 3	ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. 8
BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. 4	JOHN GOODMAN ... .. 9
JOHN GOODMAN, SEN. ... .. 5	WILLIAM MEEK ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late WILLIAM MICKLEWRIGHT.

Conducted by JOHN GOODMAN, JUN.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters with a bob bell. Arranged and rung with the bells half-muffled as a memorial peal on the third anniversary of the death of the late Mr. Samuel Spittle, the first Ringing Master of the above Guild.

LONDON.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, WALTHAMSTOW,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 6040 CHANGES:**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ROBERT MAYNARD, JUN. ... .. Treble	HARRY R. PASMORE ... .. 6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. PASMORE ... .. 7
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 3	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 8
LOUIS ATTWATER ... .. 4	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 9
HENRY G. MILES ... .. 5	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH.

Conducted by HARRY R. PASMORE.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD.)

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN-THE-MARTYR,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5005 CHANGES:**

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

*MRS R. J. WILKINS ... .. Treble	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. ... .. 6
ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. 2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... .. 7
RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... .. 3	GEORGE CONDICK, JUN. ... .. 8
EDWIN J. RIDLER ... .. 4	JOHN A. BURFORD ... .. 9
PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... .. 5	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY JOHNSON.

Conducted by JOHN A. BURFORD.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters and first attempt.

SWINDON, WILTS.—On Sunday, Feb. 1st, at Christ Church, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: (1260 changes): A. Lawrence 1, E. Bishop 2, R. W. Hyner 3, S. Palmer 4, T. Robinson 5, W. G. Lancaster 6, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 7, A. E. W. Smith 8. Also for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: A. Lawrence 1, R. W. Hyner 2, T. Robinson 3, S. Palmer 4, G. W. Townsend 5, E. Bishop 6, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 7, F. W. Selby 8.



## AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

ARTHUR L. COLEMAN... ..Treble	ALFRED WATSON ... .. 6
JOHN GODFREY ... .. 2	CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 7
JOHN FREEMAN ... .. 3	GEORGE MAYERS... .. 8
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 9
CHARLES E. NEWLANDS ... .. 5	JOHN MOY ... ..Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. H. CROSS.

This was the first peal on ten bells by the ringers of the treble, 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th and 9th.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## MILVERTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 13, 1919, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLLIS' FIVE-PART No. 2.

ISAAC CREED ... ..Treble	ALBERT TOOT ... .. 5
HENRY NORMAN ... .. 2	ARCHIBALD ANDREWS ... .. 6
ROBERT SCOTT ... .. 3	WILLIAM WHITE ... .. 7
EDWARD LLOYD ... .. 4	WILLIAM SEALY ... ..Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SCOTT

## LINCOLN.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt.

JOHN WALDEN ... ..Treble	GEORGE FLINTHAM ... .. 5
GEORGE CHESTER ... .. 2	*ISAAC VICKERS ... .. 6
TOM PYLE ... .. 3	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... .. 7
WILLIAM CLARKE ... .. 4	STANFORD J. WOLFE... ..Tenor

Conducted by JOHN A. FREEMAN.

\* First peal and first attempt in the method. This is supposed to be the first peal ever rung solely by the Cathedral band. It was rung in commemoration of the enthronement of the Bishop of Lincoln (Dr. Swayne), which took place on the 8th of January, 1920. It was also a birthday peal for the ringer of the 4th bell.

## BRISTOL.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(BRISTOL BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JACOB,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.

*ERNEST DIBBEN... ..Treble	EDGAR GUISE ... .. 5
PERCY WILLIAMS ... .. 2	EDWIN J. RIDLER ... .. 6
*WILLIAM LEWIS... .. 3	ARTHUR W. SEVIOUR... .. 7
GILBERT PEARCE ... .. 4	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. ... ..Tenor

Conducted by EDGAR GUISE.

[ First peal. \* First peal with a bob bell. This peal was arranged for Mr. Ernest Dibben (of Glastonbury), who was elected a member of the Association before starting.

## WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Monday, January 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS R. PERCIVAL... ..Treble	ROBERT GOFTON ... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 6
JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... .. 7
JAMES E. GOFTON ... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... ..Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by T. T. GOFTON.

Rung for the 7th anniversary of the dedication of the new bells. This is the first peal of Bristol by all but the conductor, first peal of Bristol by the Association, and rung by an entirely local band.

## COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.

## THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 1 ton in E.

*WALTER LAGO ... ..Treble	WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. TAYLOR... .. 2	GEORGE L. HEWITT ... .. 6
ERNEST WEATHERBY... .. 3	ALFRED E. FOLLIOT ... .. 7
CHARLES R. LILLEY... .. 4	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... ..Tenor

Composed by SAMUEL WOOD.

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

First peal of Kent Treble Bob on the bells. \* First peal of Kent. The Rev. C. B. Crowe paid a visit to the ringing chamber and wished the band every success. The ringers of the 2nd, 4th and 7th hail from St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, 3rd and 5th from St. Mary's, Market Drayton, the treble, 6th and tenor are local men.

## STANSTEAD, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, January 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

WALTER T. PRIOR ... ..Treble	THOMAS J. WATTS ... .. 5
FREDERICK BIRD ... .. 2	THOMAS JORDAN ... .. 6
GEORGE JORDAN ... .. 3	HENRY DEW... .. 7
HARRY M. WHITE ... .. 4	WILLIAM T. PRIOR ... ..Tenor

Rung on the 45th birthday of the ringer of the 3rd, and as a birthday compliment also to his cousin on the 6th. First peal in the method by 2nd and 4th and rung at first attempt. The ringers of the 2nd, 4th, 7th and tenor hail from Bishop Stortford, the remainder are of the local band.

## ERITH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF UNION TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

FREDERICK J. CULLUM, SEN. Treble	FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN. 5
EDWARD J. LLOYD ... .. 2	*SPENCER MARSHALL ... .. 6
*JOHN T. LOWRY... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. 7
ARTHUR J. MORTON ... .. 4	JOHN S. MORTON ... ..Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN.

\* First peal in the method. This is Mr. E. Barnett, senr's., 120th peal on the bells. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect for the late Mr. Frank Beadle, J.P., for many years churchwarden of the above church, who was interred the same day.

## DITCHLING, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, January 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb.

WILLIAM C. HART ... ..Treble	ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ... .. 5
OLIVER SIPPETTS... .. 2	JOHN JAY ... .. 6
WM WATTS, SEN. ... .. 3	KEITH HART... .. 7
ERNEST GOWER ... .. 4	WILLIAM STENNING ... ..Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

## LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE FLY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... ..Treble	ARTHUR KEERLE ... .. 5
ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. 2	THOMAS R. DENNIS ... .. 6
*LAWRENCE POULSON... .. 3	*LOUIS LEES ... .. 7
WILLIAM FAYERS ... .. 4	WILLIAM R. J. POULSON ... ..Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

\* First peal in the method also on tower bells. First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to the 7th man.

BETCHWORTH, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 11 cwt.

MISS NORA E. SHORTER ... Treble	ALBERT HARMAN ... 5
GEORGE ELLIS ... 2	ARTHUR DEAN ... 6
WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... 7
JOHN H. WHITE ... 4	ALBERT ELLIS ... Tenor

Composed by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

CHIPPING BARNET, HERTS.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST.

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANCES;**

Tenor 23½ cwt.

ALBERT W. COLES ... Treble	*GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 5
ARTHUR MASON ... 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... 3	JOHN ARMSTRONG ... 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... 4	WILLIAM PYE ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method.

NORTHAMPTON.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HALEY'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 18 cwt.

J. WILFRED SHARP ... Treble	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... 5
FRED HOPPER ... 2	JOHN T. HENSMAN ... 6
SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE ... 3	WILLIAM FAHEY ... 7
JOHN W. METHERELL ... 4	*ALFRED MONK ... Tenor

\* First peal of Stedman. This peal was specially arranged and rung as a compliment to Mr. J. T. Hensman on his 50th birthday. After the peal the ringers were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Hensman at their residence.

ELY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.  
PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr.

ARTHUR E. WILKINS ... Treble	*JOHN J. JUTSON ... 5
*KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... 2	GEORGE H. BARKER ... 6
*WILLIAM WALDRON ... 3	*FRANK ROWLINSON ... 7
*GEORGE MARKWELL ... 4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... Tenor

Composed by J. THORP.

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal of Major. First peal in the method as conductor. This is the first peal of Major by the Peterborough and District Association.

BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

*ARTHUR CRANE ... Treble	*FREDERICK WHITEHEAD ... 5
GEORGE UNDERWOOD ... 2	*HARRY F. MORRIS ... 6
WALTER SEAR ... 3	*FRANCIS HEDGES ... 7
JOHN MEAD ... 4	HARRY SEAR ... Tenor

Composed by the late JOHN R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by HARRY SEAR.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal on eight bells. First peal in the method by an entirely local band and rung by all L.&N.W. Railway men.

LUTTERWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(LEICESTER DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE WYCLIFFE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

*FRANK HOWE, R.A.F. ... Treble	H. E. NORMAN, R.A.S.C. ... 5
F. KILBORN, Northants Reg. 2	JAMES HARRIS, R.F.A. ... 6
BERT KILBORN, R.F.C. ... 3	WILLIAM WILLSON, R.A.F. 7
T. HENRY HARDY, R.G.A. 4	RALPH HUBBARD, R.G.A. ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

Rung on the 25th anniversary of the opening peal on these bells in which the conductor took part. All the above are ex-Service men and this is probably the first by the Association under such conditions.

\* First peal.

LONDON.  
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

ARTHUR J. NEALE ... Treble	RICHARD BEVAN ... 5
*MISS GLADYS BATEMAN ... 2	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... 6
CHARLES V. HARE ... 3	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 7
OLIVER L. TWIST ... 4	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... Tenor

Composed by T. DAY. Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.

\* First peal in the method. Rung after meeting short for Stedman Caters.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

SWITHLAND, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION  
AND ST. MARGARET'S GUILD, LEICESTER.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently.

*FREDERICK W. SHARMAN ... Treble	JOSIAH MORRIS ... 4
ALFRED BALLARD ... 2	*WILLIAM ALDRIDGE ... 5
ARTHUR J. BALLARD ... 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal on the bells, which were cast in 1760, and rung at the second attempt. The first attempt, on Nov. 22nd, 1919, was abandoned after two hours owing to the bad 'go' of the tenor. \* First peal of Minor.

NORTH CAVE, HULL.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(EASTERN DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being one 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, four 720's of Kent Treble Bob, and two 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in G.

JOHN J. TUNE ... Treble	EDWIN D. TUNE ... 4
GEORGE C. TERRY ... 2	AUGUSTUS HATFIELD ... 5
MATTHEW T. TUNE ... 3	WILLIAM A. HUDSON ... Tenor

Conducted by WM. ARTHUR HUDSON.

First peal on the bells which were dedicated on the 9th Dec., 1919, and opened by the same ringers who rang this peal. All hail from Hemingbrough, near Selby. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar, Mr. Rice and Mr. Blanchard for their kind attention toward them.

BISHOP'S CANNINGS, WILTSHIRE.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 42 Six-scores called differently.

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr.

†GEORGE FREEGARD ... Treble	JOSEPH SLADE ... 4
THOMAS MERRITT ... 2	JAMES WALKER ... 5
GEORGE MORTIMER ... 3	*WILLIAM TYSOE ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH SLADE.

† First peal away from tenor. \* First peal.

CALVERTON, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 of Carlisle, Newcastle, Canterbury, Beverley, York,  
London and Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt.

WALTER W. BONHAM ... .. Treble	HERBERT C. EDWARDS ... 4
EDWIN YATES ... .. 2	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS ... 5
ERNEST C. LAMBERT ... .. 3	CECIL A. VALENTINE ... Tenor

Conducted by CECIL A. VALENTINE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H. C. Edwards.

HALSE, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, January 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

WILLIAM CREWS ... .. Treble	*W. E. BIFFEN ... .. 4
FRED POLE ... .. 2	*FRED ESSEX ... .. 5
WILLIAM CLAPP ... .. 3	W. SEALEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRED POLE.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor.

PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD  
(ELLOR DEANERIES BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, January 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 21 cwt.

*GEORGE SEWELL ... .. Treble	*EDWARD J. HAYNES ... 4
GEORGE LADD ... .. 2	JOHN CURRY ... .. 5
WILLIAM RICHARDSON ... 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. H. WEBB.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor size 11 in G.

CHAS. H. BRIGGS ... .. 1-2 | CHAS. H. WEBB ... .. 3-4

\*H. WEBB ... .. 5-6

Conducted by C. H. WEBB, SEN.

Witness: E. G. WEBB.

\* First peal (aged 13 years). First handbell peal by all. H. Webb, jun., is the youngest ringer in the Hinckley district to ring a 5,000 for the Midland Counties Association. The above peal was rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of 3-4.

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET, HARWICH, ESSEX.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tapped on handbells.

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Conducted by A. T. MORRIS.

Umpire: GEORGE TAYLOR.

Witness: CHARLES HOWE.

First peal in the method as conductor. First peal to be tapped in the method by the Association.

**THE LATE MR. ARTHUR CHAPMAN.**

Dear Sir, In your last issue, I notice with regret the death recorded of Arthur Chapman, of Higham Ferrers. I took part in several peals with him, and always found him an excellent striker of a heavy bell in spite of his diminutive stature. He is a brother of Mr. Harry Chapman, Manchester, a noted back-end man.

There is a slight error in your report; his first peal being on Oct. 19th, 1901; Steelman Triples at Higham Ferrers, conducted by John W. Barker; the late John B. Martin ringing the treble.—Yours faithfully,  
T. S. HENSHER

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The first peal of Little St. Lawrence Major, otherwise known as 'Hot Tom,' another of the progeny of the Rev. E. Bankes James, was rung last week by the Holy Trinity Society, Guildford.

It is proposed to hold the annual meeting of the E.B. and S.B. Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild at High Wycombe on Easter Monday. Four towers will be open for the day.

The 700th anniversary of the laying of the foundation stones of Salisbury Cathedral occurs this year. There is to be a fitting celebration. Why should not an effort be made to induce the authorities to put a peal of twelve into the tower? A correspondent suggests that the Central Council might move in the matter.

Every reader of this paper must have followed with interest the notable achievements of the Bailey Brothers, of Leiston. They were the first band of eight brothers to ring a peal on tower bells, and six of them were recently the first to ring a family peal of Maximus on handbells. Last Saturday, eight of them, including six who have been demobilised, rang at the first attempt a tower bell peal of Double Norwich Major. Of the band, Wilfred, Allen, Frederick, Leonard and Charles served overseas.

In a peal of Minor, rung at Denton on Saturday week, there were 13 Treble Bob methods, the last three of the seven 720's each comprising three spliced methods. This is, as most ringers will agree, a distinctly good, as well as interesting performance. One of the ringers, Mr. Harry Bardsley, is to be specially congratulated, for it was his first peal.

Having had complaints of the annoyance arising from the ringing of a bell at a convent, Wilkesden Council reports that it has no jurisdiction.

The eight bells at Epsom Parish Church, Surrey, are to be recast and rehung in new fittings and framework. The order has been placed with Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

## LONG PEAL AT PAINSWICK.

13,001 OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES.

At the third attempt, the Ancient Society of Painswick Youths, whose organisation dates back to 1886, have scored their long peal of Grandsire Cinques, the length being 13,001 rung in 8 hrs. 45 mins. The striking was good all through, and, on account of the excellent 'go' of the bells, which were rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co. as long ago as 1902, and the unremitting attention which they received from Mr. Frank Cole, the steeplekeeper, the peal was rung without any undue fatigue to the men taking part. When the bells ceased the ringers were heartily welcomed by a large number of admiring parishioners. Unfortunately Mr. William Hale, the Youths' popular hon. secretary, was unable, through indisposition, to take part in this attempt.

The peal, which was rung for the Gloucester and Bristol Association, is the Association's longest length rung on these famous bells, the two previous local records being 12,006 Grandsire Caters, in 7 hrs. 55 mins., on April 18th, 1737, and 12,312 Grandsire Caters in 7 hrs. 44 mins., on May 5th, 1817.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETINGS.

A SUGGESTION.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—There is a growing tendency among some delegates and friends attending the meetings of the Central Council to make the occasion one for a longer visit than the actual work of the Council demands; some arriving on the Saturday previous to the meeting, and remaining till the following Wednesday. This social side of the meetings is one which should be encouraged and developed, for it gives ringers from widely separated areas an opportunity to know more of each other.

In order that full advantage could be taken of these visits, I would respectfully suggest that the Central Council, together with the Association, in whose area the meeting is to be held, should hire a suitable room from the Saturday till the following Tuesday, or possibly Wednesday. This room should be the Club Room for any visiting or local ringers during that period. Suitable ringers should be in charge to answer inquiries as to positions of hotels, apartments, churches, etc.

A notice board could give the information as to times and towers available for ringing. Peal bands, if desirable, could be made up, handbells and a piano should be available for impromptu concerts, while facilities for writing would be an added boon.

These suggestions should not entail a great expense, but whatever it was it could be equally shared by the Central Council and the local association concerned; while the convenience it would afford would add much to the enjoyment of the visitors. Should these suggestions meet with the approval of either, or, preferably, both the parties concerned, due notice of it can be given in the 'Ringing World.'—Yours truly,

Bradpole, Dorset.

T. HERVEY BEAMS.



**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****LUTON DISTRICT SECRETARY'S RESIGNATION.**

The annual meeting of the Luton District was held at Leighton Buzzard on Saturday last, members attending from Woburn, Dunstable, Luton, Tring, Linslade, and the local tower.

The bells were kept busy during the afternoon and evening in standard methods, from Minor to Caters.

The business meeting was held at Messrs. Woods' Cafe after tea, presided over by Mr. R. Harris. The following officers were elected for the year: President, Rev. Canon W. W. C. Baker, of Dunstable; vice-president, Mr. A. King, of Luton. Committee: Mr. Cyril Herbert, Woburn; Mr. H. Smith, Crawley; Mr. W. Chibnall, Aspley Guise; Mr. G. Healey, Dunstable; Mr. J. Nicholls, Leighton; Mr. A. King, Luton. The hon. secretary, Mr. A. King, of Luton, who has held the office since the inception of decentralisation of the Association eight years ago, by the formation of three districts, viz., Luton, Bedford and Biggleswade, tendered his resignation owing to ill-health. He informed the members that he had attended all the meetings held during his tenure of office with the exception of one held in December last, his absence then being due to illness. He hoped the members would rally round their new honorary secretary.

Mr. A. E. Sharman, of Dunstable, who is a keen exponent in the art, was elected to fill the vacancy, and the hope was expressed that the towers would give him the deserved support, which is necessary for the welfare of the Association.

As a tribute to the late honorary secretary's enthusiasm and interest taken in the welfare of the Association during his 16 years' membership, the members elected him a vice-president, and an enthusiastic and hearty vote of thanks was accorded him for his past services, to which he suitably replied.

Vote of thanks were also accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the Chairman, who carried out his duties in an efficient manner.

The next meeting will be held at Dunstable after Easter.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****CLUN DISTRICT.**

The third quarterly meeting of the Clun District was held at Knighton, Radnorshire, on Saturday, Feb. 7th, when a strong company of local members and three from Clun put in an appearance. Grandsire Doubles and Triples were rung during the afternoon, and the company sat down to a bountiful tea, provided by Mrs. Dutton, in the Parish Room. They were joined by the Vicar (the Rev. T. J. P. Griffith) and Canon Singer Davies, R.D., Rector of Llandrindod Wells, who said he was very pleased to meet the ringers. Unfortunately he had no tower or bells at his church, or he would have been delighted to welcome them to Llandrindod. He hoped, however, to have a peal of bells some time in the future.

After tea, the usual business meeting was held, when Mr. Roland Tonch (Knighton) presided, in the absence of the Rev. H. J. Scott (District Ringing Master), owing to ill-health.

The Vicar of Knighton was elected an hon. member, and it was decided to arrange a meeting at Clunbury, or Tredbury North, for combined practice soon after Easter, and the annual meeting at Clun later.

In reply to a question from Knighton as to their position when the new Church Act came into force, it was explained that they would remain members of the Hereford Guild, although their tower would then be in St. David's Diocese.

Afterwards the members attended evensong, when the Rev. T. S. Dutton, late of Clun and Bucklebury, officiated, and in place of the second lesson read a portion of the 'Golden Legend,' which has recently been made very familiar to ringers by its use at memorial services. After the service ringing again took place, and concluded a very enjoyable meeting.

The Rev. T. S. and Mrs. Dutton are shortly going abroad, having accepted a living in South Africa. They will be much missed in Knighton, where Mr. Dutton has had such excellent results with his young pupils in the belfry.

**MEMORIAL TO THE LATE ROWLAND CARTWRIGHT.**

By consent of the family, it is proposed to erect a memorial at the grave of the late Rowland Cartwright in Wombourne Churchyard; and in order to do this members of the Stafford Archdeaconry Society and other friends of the deceased are invited to subscribe to this worthy object—to perpetuate the memory of one who did much spadework for the art of change ringing. Subscriptions will be gratefully received by

Rev. C. H. BARKER, 147, Bromford Lane, West Bromwich, or H. KNIGHT, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**FARNBOROUGH.**—Winchester Diocesan Guild.—For morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 44 mins.: C. Stewart 1, G. Gasson 2, D. Spooner 3, N. Spooner 4, G. Miles (conductor) 5. First quarter by ringers of 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

**SURPRISE METHODS.****To the Editor.**

Dear Sir,—In reply to the Rev. E. Bankes James' letter in your issue of the 6th inst., I do not want to condemn Bristol, but it is not a 'Surprise Method,' as there is no interior place making when the treble is behind or in front. It ought to be called 'Delight.' Nor do I want to travel over to the south to explain my method, but if the Rev. E. B. J. will only write out No. 6 in my list he will soon find that it is a perfect method, for the plain course shows that it contains twelve 7-8's, 8-6's, 6-4's, 4-2's, 2-3's, 3-5's, and 5-7's. These bells dodge together both in front and behind throughout. He should not only write out my No. 6 but No. 9 and the other two.

Birmingham.

JOHN CARTER.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.****TWO NEW BELLS FOR ALDERSHOT.**

A meeting of the Guildford District was held on Saturday last, at St. Peter's Church, Ash, and was well attended. The well-kept belfry and nice little peal of six (the treble having been recently added) met with general approval. The arrangements for tea in the Church Room, which had been carried through by the local lady ringers, also met with well-deserved praise.

At the business meeting fifteen new ringers were elected members of the Guild, and the Rector also announced his intention to become an hon. member, and do whatever he could for the Guild.

The Ringing Master's report was full of encouraging features, and, in addition to a long list of peals rung, mentioned that two new trebles were ordered for Aldershot, and it was hoped to have them in readiness by Easter. Efforts were also being made to recast the tenor at Haslemere, and for an entirely new peal of eight in a tower not a hundred miles from Guildford.

The Rector conducted the service, and gave an excellent address, founded on the American phrase, 'Come right in,' and said the Guild were heartily welcome at Ash, and he was pleased to see the brotherly feeling that was so evident amongst the members of the Guild.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

The annual meeting of the Castle Cary Deanery Branch of the above Association took place at Castle Cary on January 31st, when seven towers were represented, and a goodly number of ringers attended. The excellent service was conducted by the Vicar (Preb. Rev. D. M. Ross), and his address was listened to with great interest. Tea was provided at the Vicarage, by the kind permission of the Rev. and Mrs. Ross, 45 members sitting down.

Afterwards the meeting was held, with the Vicar in the chair. Mr. T. G. Vincent, sear., was elected president for 1920, amid much enthusiasm; and Mr. E. F. Creed was elected hon. secretary. Eighteen new members were admitted, and Bampton chosen for the next quarterly meeting; Pilton for the half-yearly gathering, and Bruton for the annual, next January.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the excellent tea, which was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present, also to the ladies who so kindly waited at the tables. A move was then made again to the belfry, where touches of Grandsire and Plain Bob kept the bells going till 9 p.m., and brought a most enjoyable and successful meeting to a close.

**AXBRIDGE DEANERY BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of the Axbridge Deanery Branch was held at Weston-super-Mare on January 31st, over 40 members being present, representing Burnham, Brent Knoll, Berrow, Bleadon, Churchill, East Brent, Uphill, Worle, Weston-super-Mare. The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening, to Grandsire and Stedman, and service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the Rector (Preb. Norton-Thompson).

A sumptuous tea was provided at Glass' Restaurant by a lady, whose generous kindness was much appreciated by all present. At the business meeting, Preb. G. L. Porcher (president) occupied the chair, supported by the vice-president (Rev. M. I. Holme, Vicar of Worle). Fifteen new members were elected, including one lady, Lynpham was selected for the next meeting.

The Secretary presented the balance sheet, which showed a balance in hand of £5 1s. 7d., and read a short report on the year's working, which showed that four meetings had been held, with an average attendance of 32. Four honorary members and 36 performing members had been elected, including nine ladies.

The Rev. M. I. Holme, Vicar of Worle, and the Rev. E. B. Williams, Weston-super-Mare, were elected president and vice-president respectively. The Rev. M. I. Holme proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Bush for her generosity in giving such an excellent tea.—Mr. F. Hey proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the out-going president for his able services during the year, and this brought a very successful meeting to a close.

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1920.**

### OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. READING BRANCH DISCUSSES SUBSCRIPTIONS AND REPORTS.

The Reading Branch held their annual meeting at Reading on Feb. 7th, and it proved to be well attended and interesting. Proceedings commenced with ringing at the towers of St. Mary's and St. Lawrence's, which was followed by a service at the latter church. The sermon was preached by the Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), who pointed out how, in Associations, one member might influence another, and referred to attendance at church as the weekly reporting to God of the work of the week.

After the service, the members took tea at the Reading Dairy, following which the business meeting was held. Between 50 and 60 were present, and the chair was taken by Mr. W. Pole Routh, supported by the Master and Secretary of the Guild, and the Hon. Secretary of the Branch (Mr. F. W. Hopgood). After the election of the officers, the Secretary asked the members if they would suggest means whereby an increase in the number of honorary members could be obtained, as it was by them the Guild lived.—Some members thought the Guild should live by its own efforts, and this raised the question of the Guild subscription. After a very lively discussion it was decided to recommend to the Guild Committee that steps be taken to increase the annual subscription to the Guild.

Then followed the question of the annual report, which was to contain the roll of honour, and when the secretary of the Guild (Mr. R. T. Hibbert) stated that only one copy could go to each tower, and one to the foreman of the tower, the meeting decided that, as there was no time for a Guild Committee meeting, enough copies should be printed for everyone to have one, and that a small charge should be made for them.

Two auditors and a press correspondent were added to the list of officers, and finally the Master congratulated what he called a really live branch on the help it had given him in the work of the Guild by such keen and useful discussion. He also asked every member to take in the 'Ringing World.' 'BOB TRIPLES.'

### MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. NOTTINGHAM DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Nottingham District was held at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on Saturday, Jan. 31st. Members were present from Bottesford, Beeston, Bulwell, Daybrook, Eastwood, Long Hunnington, Long Eaton, Lenton, Mansfield, Nottingham, Orston, Lawley, Sandiacre, Worksop, and members from Chesterfield, Derby and Leicester districts. Touches of Stedman and Grandsire Caters, Kent Treble Bob Royal, Double Norwich Court and Kent Treble Bob Major Grandsire and Stedman Triples, were successfully brought round.

At the business meeting, Mr. H. B. Cobbin presided, and was re-elected chairman. Mr. E. C. Gobey and Mr. A. Barratt were elected on the committee, and Mr. Thos. H. Kirkby was re-elected local hon. secretary.

The secretary asked for notification of any member who had fallen in war, so as to get the roll of honour completed as soon as possible. He also asked the members of that district to let him know as soon as possible who would require reports, pointing out the maximum price would be 1s. 6d.

The next meeting was fixed for Bottesford, on Saturday, February 28th, and a vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. H. B. Cobbin for his past services, also to the clergy for the use of the bells.

This concluded the business meeting, and ringing was afterwards indulged in the various methods.

### PRESENTATION OF HANDBELLS.

The first annual dinner of the St. Martin's Guild of Change Ringers, Zeals, was held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday evening, Feb. 4th, when a party of 22 ringers and friends partook of an excellent repast, given by Lieut.-Col. Troyte Bullock, C.M.G., of Zeals House. In the unavoidable absence of the donor (through a family bereavement), the chair was taken by the Rev. S. F. Handcock, M.A., supported by Mr. Churchwarden W. Gray, Mr. G. Harford Pitt being vice-chairman, and Major C. Hughes D'Aeth, of Buckhorn Weston, President of the Wimborne Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Association, was the principal guest.

The event of the evening was the presentation to the church, for the use of the ringers, of an excellent set of twelve handbells (by Mears and Stainbank), the gift of the Rector, as an appreciation of the renewed interest taken by the ringers in their endeavours to become proficient in the art of change ringing.

Major D'Aeth said how pleased he was to see such rapid strides being made in the village, in the art of change ringing, and he gave them some excellent advice. He assured them that the association would do all it could to help them by holding association meetings in the neighbourhood and stimulating interest in the art.

Various toasts were honoured.—A special vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. H. S. Parsons to Mrs. E. H. Bruce Davis and her party of lady helpers for the excellent arrangements made and admirably

carried out for the success of the dinner. The toast was received with musical honours, and Mr. E. Bruce Davis suitably replied.

Songs were sung during the evening by Mrs. Rumney, Mrs. Stanley Hacker (who ably presided at the piano), Messrs. W. Gray, E. J. Rowe, Baverstock, J. Parsons, H. Parsons, the party breaking up at midnight, after a most enjoyable evening.

### THE POWERS OF THE COUNCIL.

To the Editor

Sir,—A prolonged, though not serious, illness has prevented me from replying to Canon Tapillon's letter in your issue of December 5th.

May I suggest that there are a good many ways in which the Council can 'endeavour to co-ordinate the efforts of the Associations to increase, improve and organise, ringers and ringing,' without going to any, or much, expense. For instance, they could ascertain the different ways in which the Associations give assistance in instructing young bands, and tell us which are most successful, so that half-taught ringers who move their residences may find other bands ready to take up the work on similar lines.

This would only be one advantage of such co-ordination. Every ringer knows how often a promising recruit is lost because he leaves and can get no one to help him in his new home. Similarly they could help with the introduction of change ringing, where it is not yet practised: and with the difficult question of towers on the borders of two or more Associations.

So long as some rule making the office of president terminable be introduced, the actual term is not of great importance.

As to the question of date of meeting, I have asked many members and all (with one exception) have replied: 'It is a date most inconvenient to me, but I believe it is the only one that suits most members.' If this be so, let us hear who they are, and we will gladly sacrifice our convenience to theirs. But we need not all inconvenience ourselves for a bogie. The one exception said any date would suit him just as well. In order to get an opinion, I would suggest a fortnight later—the Tuesday after the first Sunday after Trinity. Is this inconvenient to anyone?

With regard to procedure, some such time-table as this might be found useful, the Secretary to give notice that any proposed subject for discussion be sent him by December 1st, together with the names of those likely or willing to give papers on it, such paper or papers to be published in your columns, if possible, during January. All reports of committees and statements of accounts to be sent to the secretary early in January. If not complete by then, an outline to be furnished him, together with an intimation whether any explanatory papers would be necessary or advisable, such reports, etc., and paper or papers to be published in February, if possible. The Secretary would endeavour to arrange that there should not be less than one such paper each year, and not more than two, or at most three, in all, in any year. This would not prevent other subjects being brought forward later, it being understood that they would come under the ten-minute rule.

Theoretical subjects might be kept to the morning session, practical to the afternoon, reports in each case coming first.

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### LATE NOTICES.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION—Nottingham District.—A meeting will be held at Bottesford on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bells available from 2.30 to 8. Tea 5 o'clock. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. W. Kirton, Bunker's Hill, Bottesford, by Thursday, Feb. 26? —T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Helmschore, on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's St., Ramsbottom.



## NOTICES.

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading will in future be at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A monthly meeting will be held at Allesley on Saturday, Feb. 21st. Bells (6) available from 3 o'clock.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Moorside (St. Thomas') on Saturday, Feb. 21st. Bells ready at 3. A memorial peal tablet, in memory of the late Mr. H. Hampson, is to be unveiled at this meeting. All ringers and friends are specially invited to attend.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Hertford on Feb. 21st. The bells of All Saints' (10), St. Andrew's (8) and the newly-augmented eight at Bengoe will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. A 15 minutes' service will be held in St. Andrew's at 5 o'clock, address by the Rector; tea at W. Crangs, Fore Street, at 5.30, 1/- each, business meeting after. All members and friends will be made welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, District Sec., Little Munden, Herts.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Pendleton on Saturday, Feb. 21st, and not at St. John's, Deansgate, as already announced. Bells ready at 4, meeting at 7.—W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chipping Norton Branch.—A practice meeting will be held at Shipton on Feb. 21st. Bells from 2.30 p.m. The Master of the Guild will attend.—H. Dickens, Hon. Sec., Hook Norton.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Estab. 1637.—The sum of 1/8, which entitles members who have not attended 20 times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, should be paid before Feb. 29th. Meeting for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 24th at 7.30 p.m. Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LOW MOOR, BRADFORD.**—Official re-opening of bells, which have recently been rehung, will take place on Saturday, Feb. 28th. All ringers are invited. Tea will be provided at 1/- per head to all who notify me not later than Tuesday, Feb. 24th.—J. W. Simpson, 4, Harby Fold, Low Moor, Bradford.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Late the St. James' Society (estab. 1824).—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Feb. 28th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open 4 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Headcorn on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Ringing from 2 till 4.30; service at 4.30; tea at George and Dragon at 5 o'clock, a short business meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present at tea kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, the 24th?—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—A District meeting will be held at Hornchurch on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bells available from 3 p.m.; Service 4.45;

tea and business meeting at King's Head 5.30. Will those intending to be present advise me not later than Monday, Feb. 23rd?—E. Butler, District Hon. Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The Vicar of Bray (near Maidenhead) kindly offers tea to the members of the Branch on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bells available 3 o'clock and later in the evening. Evensong at 5.30, with short address. Social at 6 p.m. (special committee meeting). Handbells available. Cycles stored at the Ringers' Inn. Those intending to be present will please advise the Hon. Sec. on or before the 25th inst.—W. H. Fussell, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Pudsey on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bells available from 3 p.m.; business meeting at 7 at the White Cross Hotel.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wootton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Cam on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bells from 3 p.m.; Service 4.30; tea at 5. Those intending to be present please notify not later than Feb. 24th.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The next meeting will be held at Swanscombe on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 3; service and address by the Rector (Rev. Campbell Ward) at 5; the Rector is kindly providing tea in the Parish Room at 5.30 to those who notify me by Tuesday, March 2nd; business meeting to follow. Subscriptions for 1920 should be paid at or before the meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. District Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bagshot on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 3; Service at 5. Tea, by kind permission of Mr. Nye, at Lynhurst; will all those intending to be present please notify me not later than Tuesday, March 6th? All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Owlsmoor, Camberley.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at Dorking on Saturday, March 6th. Ringing 3 to 4.30 and after service. Tea at 4.30, followed by meeting. Service at 6, address by Canon Chichester. All ringers welcome. Those wishing for tea must please notify by March 1st.—Mrs. Hazelden, St. Michaels, Joseph's Road, Guildford.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The March meeting will be held at Bolsover on Saturday, the 6th. Bells ready 2 o'clock. Tea at 5 in Church Hall, at 1/- per head, to all those who notify Mr. J. Flint, 45, Oxcroft Lane, not later than March 2nd.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The annual meeting of this Guild will be held at Dudley on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock; Service at 4, which will be conducted by the President, the Rev. A. H. Phelps (Vicar). Tea will be provided, for which a charge of 6d. each will be made for those who notify me not later than Tuesday, March 2nd. It is urgently hoped that all outstanding contributions will be paid at this meeting.—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—A special meeting on finance will be held at the King of Denmark, after practice at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, on Saturday, March 13th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.



**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The early Spring meeting of the above will be held at Deal on Saturday, March 13th. The bells will be available for ringing. Service at 5 p.m., conducted by the Rector, and business meeting after. Fuller particulars next week.—Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, Hon. District Sec., Elmsted Vicarage, Ashford, Kent.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Kingston-on-Thames on Saturday, March 20th. Particulars later.—Chas. Dean, Hon. Sec., 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Nottingham on Easter Monday, April 5th, to receive officers' report, treasurer's accounts, and for the election of officers for the ensuing year. Under Rule 7, nominations for the various positions must reach me one month before the meeting. Further particulars of meeting later.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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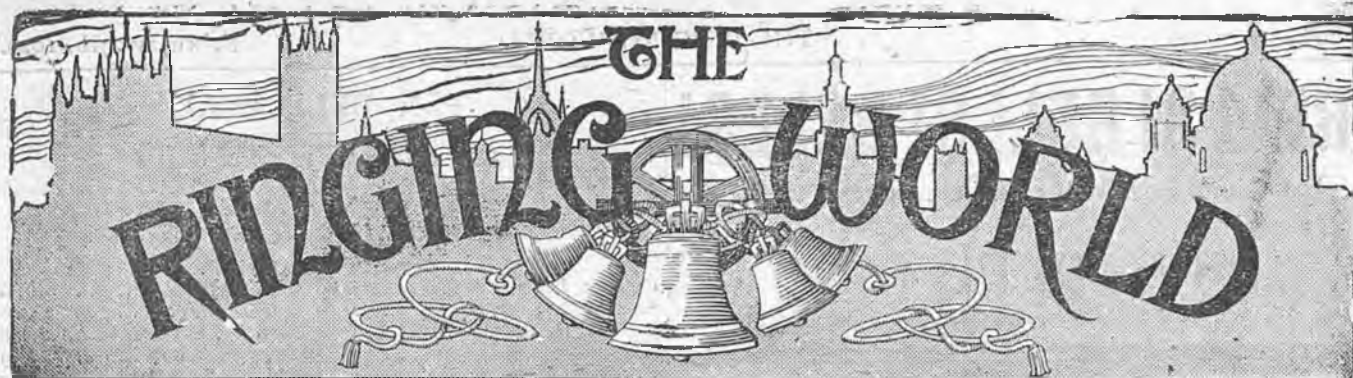
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## THE COUNCIL AND ITS POWERS.

The article which appeared in this column a fortnight ago, reminding Associations of the fact that they have been asked to decide whether or not the Central Council should be vested with powers for enforcing their decisions, was not ill-timed, and we are glad to learn that several of the important societies who will meet between this and Whitsun will discuss the matter. Officially, we believe, it is required that the decisions of the Associations shall be sent in by the end of April, but there are some organisations whose annual meetings are not held until nearer Whitsun, and they, of course, will not be in a position to express their views until after the date fixed for notifying the Council.

At the meeting of the Stockport Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild the other day, the subject was discussed and a resolution against powers of enforcement being placed in the hands of the Council was passed. Up to the present this has been the attitude of the majority of those who have debated the question, and we believe that, in the end, this is the feeling that will prevail. On the face of it, of course, it would seem to vest the Council with greater importance if it were given authority to enforce its decisions; but, as we pointed out last year in commenting upon the proposal, the difficulties which arise in giving practical effect to the suggestion are almost insurmountable, and it would be disastrous to the Council's future to give it an authority which could be ignored at will by any individual or Association. All the while a ringer was in agreement with a decision he would accept its enforcement, but directly he was opposed to it he would, as likely as not, ignore it, and no compulsory powers which might have been set up by resolution could make him obey the Council's ruling unless he pleased. The same thing would apply in the case of an Association and might lead to secessions which, ultimately, would wreck the Council.

This is the most formidable obstacle in the way of giving effect to the proposal, and the future of the Council must, it appears to us, rest upon the extent to which the Council can retain the loyal support of the Exercise by proving its utility and extending the interest in it. The Hon. Secretary of the Herts County Association contributes a useful suggestion for helping to keep the Council in touch with the affiliated bodies, and it is in such directions, rather than in setting up an authority which cannot be maintained, that we must look for the future increase of the Council's influence. And in discussing the particular proposition which the Associations are asked to express their views upon, we ought to get many valuable suggestions.

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ALBERT ELLIS ... .. 2	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 6
JOHN RICE ... .. 3	GEORGE ILLMAN ... .. 7
WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... .. 4	OLIVER SIFFETTS ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY J. TUCKER.

Conducted by OLIVER SIFFETTS.

SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE CHRIST CHURCH SOCIETY.)

On Monday, February 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 25 cwt.

EDMUND G. TOMLINSON ... .. Treble	JOHN E. MILLER ... .. 5
* ALFRED R. GLASSCOCK ... .. 2	HARRY MILLER ... .. 6
GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 3	JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. 7
NORMAN A. TOMLINSON ... .. 4	ALFRED G. CRANE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ARMSTRONG.

\* First peal of Stedman. It was intended to ring London, but owing to indisposition the above was substituted. This was J. E. Miller's and J. Armstrong's 100th peal together.



HENFIELD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(HENFIELD BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, February 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

JOSEPH J. PARKER'S COMPANION TO No. 8. Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.	
ALBERT E. BAKER ... .. Treble	ALFRED BAIGENT ... .. 5
GEORGE GANDER ... .. 2	LAZARUS PAYNE ... .. 6
GEORGE PAYNE ... .. 3	CHARLES TYLER ... .. 7
ERNEST LISH ... .. 4	WILLIAM MARKWELL ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES TYLER.

This composition is now rung for the first time.

HEREFORD.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(HEREFORD DISTRICT.)

On Wednesday, February 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
AND ST. ETHELBERT,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 41 cwt.	
JOHN BEAVAN ... .. Treble	CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... .. 2	ALBERT E. HURCOMBE ... .. 6
GEORGE GIBLIN ... .. 3	HENRY J. TAYLOR ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. SYMONDS ... .. 4	CHARLES SPARKES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. H. WILLIAMS.

First peal as conductor on eight bells. This is the first peal of Triples ever rung in the City of Hereford by all local men.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

*THOMAS HARD ... .. Treble	HARRY SMALE ... .. 5
LEWIS CORDELL ... .. 2	GEORGE DENT ... .. 6
WILLIAM DELLAR ... .. 3	JOHN CORDELL ... .. 7
†WILLIAM MORRIS ... .. 4	WILLIAM WHEELER ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by HARRY SMALE.

\* First peal. † First peal of Major.

BUSHEY, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(THE BUSHEY SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, February 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 13 cwt.	
†PERCY L. PARSLÖE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... .. 5
JOSEPH J. ALLEN ... .. 2	WILLIAM SEELEY ... .. 6
*WILLIAM C. L. PRIOR ... .. 3	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... .. 7
*EDWARD P. ASHBY ... .. 4	FRANCIS A. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT.

\* First peal. † First peal on eight bells.

LONDON.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.	
CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. Treble	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 5
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	*ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method away from the treble.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.	
WILLIAM PALMER ... .. Treble	CHARLES PALMER ... .. 5
JOHN W. GOLDING ... .. 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 6
ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 3	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 7
JOHN JAY ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND SHEFFIELD  
DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.	
SAMUEL WESLEY ... .. Treble	THOMAS BETTISON ... .. 5
JOHN HOLMAN ... .. 2	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 6
CHARLES MASON ... .. 3	WALTER ALLWOOD ... .. 7
EDWARD ROBBINS ... .. 4	JOHN FLINT ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

GOOLE, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

E. MORRIS'S TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 16½ cwt.	
†J. W. HALL ... .. Treble	F. CRYER ... .. 5
J. JACKSON ... .. 2	H. S. MORLEY ... .. 6
†G. W. P. FENTON ... .. 3	*H. FAIRLAM ... .. 7
†T. MORGAN ... .. 4	G. RIFTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. FAIRLAM.

† First peal. \* First peal as conductor. This was the first peal by a Selby Abbey band.

PONTYPRIDD.  
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.	
HARRY PAGE ... .. Treble	THOMAS HAMLIN ... .. 5
FREDERICK LASBURY ... .. 2	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 6
FREDERICK CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 3	JAMES CROSS ... .. 7
BERT DAVIES ... .. 4	GEORGE WINES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES CROSS.

\* First peal in the method on the bells. This peal was arranged for F. Chamberlain of St. John's, Cardiff, all the others belong to Pentre, Rhondda.

HANDSWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

J. CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.	
EDWIN WOOD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM G. ANKER ... .. 5
*EDWIN STARKEY ... .. 2	*STEPHEN DANBY ... .. 6
WILLIAM G. ELLIS ... .. 3	JOHN CORRIGAN ... .. 7
CHARLES STARKEY ... .. 4	CHARLES ALLEN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM G. ELLIS.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Canon H. G. Daniell Bainbridge, Rector and Rural Dean of Handsworth, the bride being Miss Ella Winifred Fannie Dodsworth, younger daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Dodsworth, Queen's Gate, London. The ceremony took place in the Henry VII. Chapel, Westminster Abbey, on Tuesday, February 3rd, the bridegroom being a former Precentor of Westminster and Hon. Priest in Waiting to the King, the Dean of Westminster (Bishop Ryle) officiating. \* First peal with a bob bell.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN  
ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

**A PEAL OF STEWMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

SGT. W. HIBBERT ... .. Treble	JOHN MCKEAG ... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 6
JOSEPH W. PARKER ... .. 3	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 7
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 4	*RICHARD THOMPSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. T. GOFTON.

\* First peal. Sgt. W. Hibbert belongs to the Devon Regt.

FARNHAM, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE UPSHALL ... .. Treble	SERGT. G. GILBERT, R.E. ... 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 2	THOMAS UPSHALL ... .. 6
MATRICE SMITHER ... .. 3	LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 7
CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 4	JOHN H. B. HESSE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

This peal was arranged at the invitation of the Farnham band, to give the Guild Ringing Master (Mr. G. Williams) an opportunity of meeting ringers of the Guildford District.

ASHTED, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT ... .. Treble	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... .. 5
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 2	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 6
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 3	*JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 7
C. W. ROBERT GRIMWOOD ... 4	WILLIAM S. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, BART.

Conducted by W. S. SMITH.

\* First peal in the method.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, January 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, College Exercise, London Scholar's Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

CHARLES NUNN ... .. Treble	ALPHAUS BERRY ... .. 4
EDWARD YOUNGS ... .. 2	GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 5
WILLIAM ROSE ... .. 3	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLLE.

The peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Lord Henniker, and also to E. Young.

LITTLE HORSTED, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM UNSTEAD ... .. Treble	BERT BANKS ... .. 4
WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 2	JAMES HART ... .. 5
GEORGE FAIRBROTHER ... .. 3	GEORGE FROST ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES HART.

The conductor belongs to Uckfield and the rest to the local band. It was the first peal by all the latter, and the ringers wish to thank Mr. Hart for all the trouble he has taken in teaching them.

PENSHORE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 of Grandsire Minor and two each of Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

HENRY J. PHIPPS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4
FREDERICK JOHNSON ... .. 2	HUBERT SALISBURY ... .. 5
JAMES HEMMING ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES HEMMING.

It had been arranged to attempt a peal of Grandsire Triples upon the Abbey bells, but, owing to the inclement weather, the band was too short, and the above was rung instead.

WICKHAM MARKET, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 changes each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... Treble	FREDERICK J. SMITH ... 4
FRANK L. FISHER ... .. 2	CHARLES E. FISHER ... 5
GEORGE R. FINCH ... .. 3	NORMAN K. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

First peal in seven methods by ringers of treble, 2nd and 3rd. First peal with a bob bell by the ringer of 2nd and first attempt. This peal was rung to welcome the new Vicar (Rev. C. Heywood), whose induction took place the previous Wednesday, and who very generously provided tea for the band after the peal.

WEST TARRING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

H. STANFORD ... .. Treble	F. CHIPPER ... .. 4
C. STREET ... .. 2	C. GOLDRING ... .. 5
G. BRADEN ... .. 3	C. HARDING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. GOLDRING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Harry Evans, for many years District Secretary of the Association, and for 60 years a ringer.

BUCKNALL, STAFFS.

STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

In seven methods, viz.: Imperial Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, City Delight, Duke of York, Violet and Oxford Treble Bob.

ALICE WHEELDON ... .. Treble	CLEMENT POINTON ... .. 4
WILLIAM WHEELDON, JUN. ... 2	WILLIAM FRADLEY ... .. 5
ALICE PRESTON ... .. 3	CHARLES PRESTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES PRESTON.

First peal by all except the ringers of the 4th and tenor. It is also the first peal in which a lady has taken part at the tower, also the first time that ladies have taken part in a peal in the above Association.

BARLBORO', DERBYSHIRE.

THE SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 12 cwt.

*WILLIAM KENNAN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM T. PALMER ... .. 4
FREDERICK E. PARSONS ... 2	JOHN R. BROOKS ... .. 5
ALFRED E. PARSONS ... .. 3	WILLIAM JACQUES' ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM JACQUES.

\* First peal. First peal of Minor by the ringers of 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th.

HASKETON, SUFFOLK.  
NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Sunday, February 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 changes each of Woodbine and Oxford Delight, two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and 720 of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

EDGAR PIZZEY ... .. Treble	CHARLES E. FISHER ... .. 4
HENRY BURCH ... .. 2	JOSEPH LAST ... .. 5
FRANK L. FISHER ... .. 3	GEORGE W. ARLITT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

First peal by the ringer of treble and first attempt.

GREAT MUNDEN, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, February 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

JOHN PATMORE ... .. Treble	BARNARD PATMORE ... .. 4
ERNEST A. OVERALL ... .. 2	HENRY WALLACE ... .. 5
NATHAN PATMORE ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CARTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY WALLACE.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,

AT THE MASCOIT, OLD FARM ROAD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.

*REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpires: L. W. WIFFEN and J. T. SCOTT. Witness: MRS. SCOTT.  
\* First peal 'in hand.' This peal was arranged for Mr. R. Brough of Croydon.

**CHESTER GUILD.**

STOCKPORT BRANCH DISCUSSES COUNCIL'S POWERS.

The first quarterly meeting of the year was held at Holy Trinity, Stalybridge, on Saturday, February 14th.

Service was held in the church, and was conducted by the Rev. H. Barker (Vicar), the Rev. Canon J. G. Bird, Rural Dean, read the lesson, and the Lord Bishop of Chester gave a very interesting address. Amongst those present at the service were Mr. C. J. Bowman-Cooke, Master of the Guild; Rev. A. T. Beeston (New Mills), branch secretary; Rev. F. O. L. Hamilton (Northenden), chairman of the branch; Rev. H. J. Graham, Vicar of St. George's, Hyde, with about sixty members, representing almost every tower in the branch.

After service, an excellent tea was provided.—The Master, on behalf of the company, welcomed the Bishop, and said that, although this was the first branch meeting his Lordship had attended, it was sincerely hoped that it would not be the last.

In reply, his Lordship said how pleased he was to be present at the meeting, and to see how prominent was the spirit of good fellowship, which he hoped would continue.

The usual business meeting followed, and after the settlement of 'domestic' matters, the question of the 'Central Council Powers' proposal was discussed. Much interest in the matter was manifested, and the following resolution fairly well summarises the opinions expressed: 'That this meeting believes the work of the Central Council in the past has been of great benefit to the Exercise generally, and is the principal cause of the marked advance in recent years of the science and art of change ringing. In consequence, the meeting is prepared to support the further efforts of the Council as far as possible, but as of opinion that for the Council to have powers conferred upon it to make such support obligatory, would not prove satisfactory.'

**DATE TOUCHES.**

On February 16th, at St. Peter's Church, Goldhanger, Essex, in 1 hr. 2 mins., a date touch of 1920 changes, being 480 of Kent, 720 Oxford Treble Bob and 720 Plain Bob: Alf. Appleton 1, G. H. Neville 2, J. D. Buckingham (conductor) 3, J. R. Owers 4, C. J. Mann 5, Arth. Appleton 6.

Claimed to be the first date touch rung in Wales, 1920 Plain Bob Minor was rung on handbells on February 12th, under the auspices of the West Wales Association by: S. A. Perry 1-2, J. A. Hoare 3-4, J. Arthur Hoare, junr. (conductor), 5-6. Rung in 47 minutes, and in celebration of the conductor's discharge from the army.

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## THE POWERS OF THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—I agree with your leading article of February 13th, and trust it will lead many Associations to discuss the subject of the powers of the Central Council before the Council meets. The Herts County Association will discuss the matter at their Easter meeting at St. Albans, the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake having given me notice of a resolution. I appeal to all our members to thoughtfully consider the matter, and then to come to our annual meeting prepared to express an opinion, and to vote according to their judgment.

I would suggest that it should be imperative that all Association representatives on the Central Council should furnish a brief written summary of the annual meeting they attend, which should afterwards be incorporated in the report issued by the Association they represent. This would help to bring the Central Council into close touch with ringers. And, Mr. Editor, might I suggest that these reports, or an epitome, should be inserted in the 'Ringing World,' which would enable us all to get a glimpse of ringers' thought in concrete form.—Yours truly,

G. W. CARTMEL,  
Hon. Sec. Hertford County Association.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO WHITECHAPEL FOUNDRY.

At the London County Association's annual meeting, the hearty congratulations of the Association were presented to the firm of Messrs Mears and Stainbank upon the 350th anniversary of the establishment of the famous Whitechapel foundry, in what was then the outlying fields east of London. This was in 1570.

Stow, London's famous historian, speaking of the time, says, east of Bishopsgate were 'fair hedgerows of elm trees, with bridges, and easy styles to pass over into the pleasant fields, very commodious for citizens therein to walk about.' How we wish old John had thought to describe the new foundry, too!

St. Clement Danes has, by the way, as the Rector reminded the meeting, an early example of this foundry's work, viz., the Sanctus bell, dated 1588.

## PRESENTATION TO A TAUNTON RINGER.

A pleasant little ceremony took place on Sunday morning in the belfry of St. James' Church, Taunton. Recently, Mr. J. Maddock was re-elected, for the thirtieth year in succession, conductor of the St. James' Guild, and his fellow ringers seized the opportunity to express their appreciation of the manner in which Mr. Maddock has discharged his duties, and to show in tangible form, the good feeling existing in the Guild.

The Vicar, in well-chosen remarks, presented Mr. Maddock with a gold pendant in the shape of a bell, engraved on one side, 'The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Change Ringers,' and on the other 'Presented to Mr. J. Maddock by the St. James' Ringers, Taunton, February, 1920.'—Mr. Maddock, who was taken quite by surprise, is acknowledging the present, said he should continue to do all he could for the benefit of the ringers and the church.

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. HENRY WHITE.

At a recent meeting of the Basingstoke Combined Society (St. Michael's and All Saints) it was decided to open a fund with the object of erecting a suitable memorial in recognition of the long and valuable services of the late Mr. Henry White, whose indefatigable enthusiasm in the advancement and general uplifting of the ringers' art was so widely recognised. It is proposed, with the consent of the authorities, to place a brass tablet, with suitable inscription, on the interior west wall of St. Michael's Church, underneath the tower, and to have a framed photograph of it hung in the belfry, and, as far as funds permit, to undertake the renovation of St. Michael's belfry, which was for so many years under Mr. White's special care, and to which nothing has been done since the bells were re-hung in 1879. An advertisement respecting the proposed memorial appears in our advertising columns, and we commend the object to the large number of ringers who were favoured with Mr. White's genial and happy friendship.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A very successful meeting of the South-Eastern Division of the Essex Association was held at Broomfield on February 14th, when touches of Grandfire Doubles, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Minor were rung. Tea was held at the Coffee House, 28 members sitting down, representing Whittle, Boreham, Springfield, Rettendon, Fryerning and Chelmsford, and the local company.

Mr. H. J. Mansfield was also present in the afternoon from Malden. At the meeting which followed, eight new members and eight probationary members were elected, and Brentwood was selected for the meeting on Easter Monday.

A party visited Great Waltham tower in the evening, where some good touches of Grandfire, Stedman Double Norwich and Superlative were rung.



## LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL BELLS. NEW TREBLES DEDICATED.

As a thankoffering for the blessing of peace, two new bells have been added to Llandaff Cathedral by the generosity of Mr. J. T. Duncan, of Llandaff, thus raising the peal from eight to ten. The cost of relanging the existing octave has also been defrayed by Mr. Duncan, who has been a great benefactor to the Cathedral, having only quite recently installed a new heating apparatus, and provided also for its future upkeep in the way of fuel, etc. He has also paid for a new Cathedral porch, and only last week, on account of the Disestablishment of the Welsh Church, presented £1,000 to the Cathedral.

The old eight bells at the Cathedral have the reputation of being one of the finest rings in the country, and came from the White-chapel Foundry about forty years ago. They have now been relunged with all new fittings, and the two trebles hung in a new iron frame up over the old eight. The splice is a splendid one, and the work reflects the highest possible credit on the firm of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, the 'go' of the bells being perfect.

The dedication was performed by the Lord Bishop of Llandaff on Saturday last, a large congregation attending the service, the bells being rung for the first time while the Bishop, clergy and choir returned from the north-west tower to their places. A special hymn, 'Over hill and valley pealing come the voices of the bells' was sung, and immediately the service closed, the bells went off into well-struck Grandsire Caters.

The bells were available for the whole of the evening, and full advantage taken of testing them by the large number of ringers that mustered from various towers in the diocese. At tea, to which the visitors were entertained by Mr. Duncan, a distinguished company assembled, including the donor of the bells, with his wife; the Bishop of the Diocese, the Dean of Llandaff, the Archdeacon of Monmouth, Dr. Green, Mr. A. A. Hughes (representing the founders), etc. The Dean took the opportunity of thanking the donor, and saying how grateful the authorities were for what he had done, by placing the Cathedral on a level with any other church in the diocese in having ten bells.—The gratefulness of the Llandaff Diocesan Association of Change Ringers was expressed by the hon. secretary (Mr. J. W. Jones), and the Bishop also coupled his name with all that had been said.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

### MR. T. BFADUE'S RESIGNATION.

The annual meeting of the South and West District was held at Isleworth on Saturday, February 7th. Favoured by a fine afternoon, a good attendance of members and friends made much use of the riverside peal of eight, the methods ranging from Grandsire Triples to Double Norwich. The service was conducted by the Rev. W. F. Summerfield (assistant curate), and was fully choral, the organist and choir being present. The subject of the address was 'service,' in which those present were reminded of their high calling as ringers among the church workers. 'Ye Servants of the Lord' and 'Unchanging God who Livest' were amongst the hymns sung.

An adjournment was afterwards made to the London Apprentice, where Mr. Churchwarden Edgley entertained the gathering to tea, and welcomed them on behalf of the Vicar and authorities.—The business meeting followed, with Mr. Edgley in the chair. The balance sheet and report were adopted. Mr. T. Beadle, after many years' service as Master, felt that he should now be relieved of his office, and a very warm tribute of thanks was given him, on the proposition of Mr. C. T. Coles, seconded by Mr. Norton. The following were elected officers for 1920: Master, Mr. C. S. Bird; hon. sec., Mr. W. H. Oram; hon. treasurer, Mr. S. Carter.

Several new members were elected, and Hillingdon chosen for the next meeting, on March 13th.

Heartfelt votes of thanks were given to the churchwarden for his kind hospitality, to the Vicar (the Rev. W. F. Summerfield), Mr. T. Beadle, the organist, choir and local ringers for their many services in connection with the success of the meeting.

Among those present were Miss N. G. Williams and Miss Feltham, and Messrs. T. Beadle, C. T. Coles, J. Armstrong, A. R. Macdonald, C. S. Bird, G. W. Fletcher, W. Hewett, E. F. Pike, C. Edwards, etc. After the meeting, the tower was again visited for further ringing.

## ESSEX RINGER'S DEATH.

The funeral took place on Saturday week, at Stanford-le-Hope, Essex, of Mr. William Taylor, for nearly 40 years a regular ringer at St. Margaret's Church, and secretary of the band. For 45 years he was a member of the choir. He passed away at the age of 57 years, after a long and trying illness.

The service was fully choral, and was conducted by the Rev. J. Russell, assisted by the Rev. — Hume. The church was filled by a congregation of parishioners and friends desirous of paying a last tribute to one who was widely respected in the parish. Before the service the bells were rung fully muffled, and afterwards the whole pull and stand was rung 57 times. This was followed by touches of Bob Minor and six-scores of Grandsire Doubles.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. A RECORD MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the London County Association was held at St. Clement Danes on Saturday, February 14th, a record number of members being present. The bells were kept going from 3 to 5 p.m. in Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob. At the service, which followed, the Association's form of service was used, the majority of members taking part. The lessons were read by Messrs. R. A. Daniell and E. A. Young. The Rector (the Rev. W. Pennington Bickford, M.A.), Hon. Chaplain to the Association, conducted the service, and gave a most interesting address. Taking his text from the 150th Psalm, 'Praise the Lord on the high-sounding cymbals,' the Rector dwelt on the means of praise to God from the time of the Psalmist to the present day; how the bells themselves entered our daily life by their joyful notes, as well as that of mourning; the need for harmony between the parson and the ringers, and also the necessity for unity and good feeling between the ringers themselves.

A move was then made to the Parish Hall, Clare Market, where a substantial tea had kindly been provided by the Rector and Mrs. Pennington Bickford.

Arrangements had been made for 60 persons, but considerably more than this number being present, several were entertained at an adjoining tearoom by that enthusiastic member, Mr. E. A. Young.

Over 100 members were present at the business meeting, the Master, Mr. T. H. Taffender, being in the chair.—Five new members were elected.

The Master drew attention to the straitened circumstances of the widow and family of the late Mr. Fred Davis, and a subscription list was at once headed by the Rector and Mr. C. Dean.

Rules 1 and 12 were altered, rule 1 to include 'Patrons, honorary and ringing members,' and rule 12 to read 'Life ringing members' subscription to be 5s., and honorary members to subscribe not less than 2s. 6d. per annum.'

A collection was made toward the Restoration Fund of St. Clement's, the sum of £5 5s. being handed to the Rector, who thanked the Association for their help, both in this respect and for their services on Sundays.

Mrs. Pennington Bickford then determined to have a hand in the proceedings, and generously gave a donation of £2 2s. to the Association, the funds being in a low state.

The Master read the annual report, and called attention to the Association's loss of a valuable supporter in Mr. Hubbard. Forty-five new members were elected during the year 1919, and 14 peals were rung, the conducting being shared by Messrs. T. H. Taffender 10, A. D. Baker 2, P. Skevington 1 and R. F. Deal 1. Two twelve-bell peals were amongst this number, Stedman Cinques and Kent Treble Bob Maximus, mention being made that it is a considerable number of years since a peal on this number of bells was rung. Attention was also called to the success of the efforts of the committee elected to arrange the ringing for peace celebrations.

There was mild competition for the office of Master, Mr. T. H. Taffender easily securing the majority. The other positions were not contested, the following being elected: Mr. W. G. Matthews, hon. general treasurer; Mr. F. Ball, senior steward; Mr. P. Norton, junior steward; Mr. R. A. Daniell and Mr. T. H. Taffender, trustees; Mr. A. D. Barker, hon. general secretary.

Votes of thanks to the retiring officers and to the Rector and Mrs. Pennington Bickford concluded a most successful meeting.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. ELLOE DEANERIES BRANCH.

The annual meeting of the Elloe Deaneries Branch was held at Surfleet on February 14th, ringers being present from Spalding, Fleet, Pinchbeck, Donington, Bicker, Heckington, Grantham, Peterborough, and the local company. The bells were kept going during the day in various methods, from Grandsire Doubles to Bob Royal. Dinner was provided in the Fraiser Schoolroom, about 60 sitting down, the catering being kindly undertaken by that well-known ringer, Mr. Rupert Richardson. After the dinner, the meeting was held, the Rev. J. J. Wayet, president, being in the chair. After the toast of 'Church and King,' the officers were duly elected for the ensuing year, and several new members were elected. The next meeting is to be held at Lutton St. Nicholas, on Whit-Monday.

Votes of thanks to the Rev. H. L. James for the use of the bells and for arranging the service, brought a successful meeting to a close.

A short service was held, when an address was given by the Rev. H. Law James (Master of the Guild), who took for his text 1 Corinthians xii. 27, and urged on the members not to neglect teaching the young ringers and giving them every encouragement.

The outstanding feature of the meeting was the presence of a young band of ringers from Lutton, who have taught themselves from Snowdon's 'Rope Sight' and 'Standard Methods,' and can now ring Grandsire Doubles very well indeed.

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**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****SUCCESSFUL MEETING OF THE HEREFORD DISTRICT.**

A highly successful meeting, the first annual meeting of the Hereford district, was held at Hereford on February 7th. Ringing took place in the afternoon on the peal of six at St. Michael's Church, and later a service was held, the special form of the Winchester Guild (the copies being kindly lent by Mr. J. J. Jones, of Guildford) was used. The Bishop of Hereford attended, and gave a most excellent address, in which he described bell ringing as one of the democratic arts, a beautiful adjunct to religion, and a healthy recreation. About 80 ringers, were present at the service, and the following clergy: Rev. A. B. Wynne Wilson (St. Nicholas), Rev. T. Clark Smith, Rev. A. Middleton, Rev. G. W. Turner, Rev. T. O. Chosteris, Rev. A. C. Lee, Rev. Dr. E. Rowlands, and Rev. R. G. Ellwood, and Mr. J. G. Buchanan, Master of the Guild. After service, the ringers adjourned to St. Nicholas' Parish Room, where a splendid tea was provided.

At the business meeting, the Master presided, and the Secretary (Mr. G. Edwards) produced the financial statement, which showed a balance in hand on the first year's working of £2 15s. 11d.

The balance sheet was adopted with applause, and the Secretary pointed out that the total membership of the district was 98, with eleven honorary members. Fifty of this number had been roped in since the district was formed, as well as seven honorary members.

Mr. Edwards then gave his report as Ringing Master. He pointed out that all meetings and combined practices had been well attended, and it was most encouraging to him to go on with the laborious work now in hand. He thanked the members for their loyalty and support without which he could not have done what he had. Great progress had been made in peal ringing in the district, as he was pleased to say that since the district was formed they had rung the first peal of Triples ever rung by local men, at Burghill, on September 27th, and the first local peal of Triples ever rung in the city was rung at the Cathedral on Wednesday, February 4th, conducted by his colleague, Mr. Williams. He urged upon all present the duty of keeping their bells going regularly for service, if only good rounds were rung.

The Rev. G. W. Turner proposed that Mr. Edwards be re-elected as secretary and Ringing Master, and mentioned the fact that since August Mr. Edwards had covered 1,470 miles on a push bike for the good of ringers and ringing. He thought they were most fortunate in having him with them.—The motion was carried with great applause.—Mr. W. H. Williams was re-elected assistant Ringing Master. It was decided to hold quarterly meetings as follows: May, at Marden; August, at Allensmore; November, at Lugwardine; and that the monthly combined practice be left in the hands of the secretary.

The Master, in proposing a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Edwards, remarked that his return to the old county had been the means of, in a few months, of working a revolution in bell ringing in the district.

Afterwards the Cathedral was visited, and various touches rung.

**MEMORIAL TO LADY RINGER.****UNVEILING CEREMONY AT COTGRAVE, NOTES.**

On Saturday, February 14th, a beautiful oak tablet, which has been placed in the ringing chamber of Cotgrave Church, in memory of Dorothy White, who had been for some time a member of the local company of ringers, was unveiled by the Rector (the Rev. J. P. Hales). The deceased, a daughter of Mr. W. E. White, for many years secretary of the Midland Counties Association, through her kindly and unselfish disposition was a great favourite with everybody, and her early death is deeply lamented by all, especially by her comrades of the belfry.

After the dedicatory prayers had been offered up, and the tablet duly admired by all present, the bells were raised in peal, and a date touch of Minor, 1920 changes, was rung by the same band who rang a similar touch on the occasion of the deceased's funeral, Nov. 11th, 1918, and whose names are also recorded on the tablet. The touch consisted of 720 changes each of Single Court and Oxford Bob, and 480 of Plain Bob, and was rung in 1 hr. 15 mins., by the following members of the Midland Counties Association: G. Nowell, Radcliffe, 1; Walter White, conductor, Cotgrave, 2; Rev. C. J. Sturton, Orston, 3; William E. White, Cotgrave, 4; F. Spencer, Radcliffe, 5; T. Squires, Cotgrave, 6.

At the conclusion of the ringing, the company were kindly entertained to refreshments at Ivy Cottage, the residence of Mr. W. E. White.

**BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.**—Lancashire Association.—On Wednesday, February 4th, after meeting short for Steadman Triples, a date touch of Minor (1920 changes), in 1 hr., comprising 720 Oxford Treble Bob and 1,200 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. Fisher 1, W. Battle 2, H. W. Kirton 3, G. R. Newton (conductor) 4, A. Lintott 5, E. Caunce 6. E. Bumpfry and H. W. Kirton hail from Writtle, near Chelmsford.

**NOTICES.**

**THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES** of Meetings inserted under this heading will in future be at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

**LOW MOOR, BRADFORD.**—Official re-opening of bells, which have recently been rehung, will take place on Saturday, Feb. 28th. All ringers are invited.—J. W. Simpson, 4, Harby Fold, Low Moor, Bradford.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Late the St. James' Society (estab. 1824).—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Feb. 28th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open 4 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Headcorn on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Ringing from 2 till 4.30; service at 4.30; tea at George and Dragon at 5 o'clock, a short business meeting to follow.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—A District meeting will be held at Hornchurch on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bells available from 3 p.m.; Service 4.45; tea and business meeting at King's Head 5.30.—E. Butler, District Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting will be held at Bottesford on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bells available from 2.30 to 8. Tea 5 o'clock.—T. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Helmshore, on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's St., Ramsbottom.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wootton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Cam on Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bells from 3 p.m.; service 4.30; tea at 5.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—A meeting will be held at Appleton, Berks, on March 4th. Peal attempt 12.30. Dinner 4.30. Will those attending please notify me not later than March 2nd?—G. Holifield, Sec., Appleton, Berks.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Rolvenden on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Arrangements will be made for tea for those who notify me by March 3rd.—H. Balcombe, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore, Ashford, Kent.

**WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Swansea, on Saturday, March 6th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30, followed by tea.—Charles Morse, Sec., 2, Dycock Road, Sketty, Swansea.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—A meeting will be held by kind permission on Saturday, March 6th, at Midsomer Norton. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Will those requiring tea please let me know not later than Monday, March 1st? All ringers welcome.—Edith Smith, 12, Auburn Road, Bristol.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The next meeting will be held at Swanscombe on

Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 3; service and address by the Rector (Rev. Campbell Ward) at 5; the Rector is kindly providing tea in the Parish Room at 5.30 to those who notify me by Tuesday, March 2nd; business meeting to follow. Subscriptions for 1920 should be paid at or before the meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. District Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Newport Pagnell on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—D. Sear, Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Horley on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.45 p.m. All ringers cordially invited.—N. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bagshot on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 3; Service at 5. Tea, by kind permission of Mr. Nye, at Lynhurst; will all those intending to be present please notify me not later than Tuesday, March 6th? All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Owlsmoor, Camberley.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at Dorking on Saturday, March 6th. Ringing 3 to 4.30 and after service. Tea at 4.30, followed by meeting. Service at 6, address by Canon Chichester. All ringers welcome. Those wishing for tea must please notify by March 1st.—Mrs. Hazelden, St. Michaels, Joseph's Road, Guildford.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The March meeting will be held at Bolsover on Saturday, the 6th. Bells ready 2 o'clock. Tea at 5 in Church Hall, at 1/- per head, to all those who notify Mr. J. Flint, 45, Oxcroft Lane, not later than March 2nd.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The annual meeting of this Guild will be held at Dudley on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock; Service at 4, which will be conducted by the President, the Rev. A. H. Phelps (Vicar). Tea will be provided, for which a charge of 6d. each will be made for those who notify me not later than Tuesday, March 2nd. It is urgently hoped that all outstanding contributions will be paid at this meeting.—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting of the Western District will be held at Birstall on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 until 9 p.m. Short service in church 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 in Boys' School, business meeting afterwards.—P. L. Cooper, Hon. District Sec., 12, Willoughby Avenue, Holbeck.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Rannor, Sheffield, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea will be provided at 1/- per head to those who notify Mr. C. Haynes, 439, Sandygate Road, Sheffield, not later than March 9th.—Arthur Hague, Dis. Sec., 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, March 13th. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown St., Harrow.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Henbury on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30, tea at 5 p.m.—P. C. Williams, Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—A special meeting on finance will be held at the King of Denmark, after practice at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, on Saturday, March 13th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The early Spring meeting of the above will be held at Deal on Saturday, March 13th. The bells will be available for ringing. Service at 5 p.m., conducted by the Rector, and business meeting after. Fuller particulars next week.—Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, Hon. District Sec., Elmsted Vicarage, Ashford, Kent.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Nottingham on Easter Monday, April 5th, to receive officers' report, treasurer's accounts, and for the election of officers for the ensuing year. Under Rule 7, nominations for the various positions must reach me one month before the meeting. Further particulars of meeting later.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

**MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. HENRY WHITE.**—The Basingstoke Combined Society (St. Michael's and All Saints') respectfully invite contributions towards a fund being raised to erect a suitable memorial in recognition of the sterling work of the late Mr. Henry White, who for upwards of 30 years was Sexton and Captain of ringers at St. Michael's, a leading conductor and Hon. Auditor of the Winchester Diocesan Guild and one of its representatives on the Central Council from its formation. Contributions will be gratefully received and acknowledged by Mr. Councillor Wyeth (Churchwarden), 17, New Street, Basingstoke.

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On Tuesday, February 10th, the death occurred, at Bournemouth, of the Rev. Canon A. W. Boulden, Vicar of Christ Church, Erith, at the age of 73. During his 28 years' incumbency he had spent a sum of more than £10,000 on improving and beautifying his church. The crowning act of his life, as he so often described it himself, came about five years ago, when he gave a new tower and spire, and a peal of eight bells to complete the church.

He often expressed great satisfaction and thankfulness at having been spared to see its completion. One of his very last wishes was that he might be taken back to Erith to be within the sound of his beautiful bells, and arrangements had actually been made for him to be brought back in a motor ambulance on the Wednesday, but he died the previous evening. To show how interested he was in his ringers and bells, he sent special message at Christmas to Mr. E. Barnett, of Crayford, asking him to do whatever he could to interest and help his ringers.



**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

A district meeting of the Northern Division took place at Baldock on Saturday, February 7th. Among the members were representatives from Barley, Cambridge, Hatfield, Hitchin, Royston, Stevenage, Wellington, and Great Wymondley. After ringing in the afternoon the visitors were kindly entertained to tea by the Rector. This was followed by a business meeting, over which the Rector (Canon Nairne) presided. While welcoming the Association again, he thought it would be the last time he should meet them in Baldock, though he hoped to meet them again at some other centre.

Knebworth was chosen for the next meeting. Business over, St. Mary's tower was again visited, and the bells were kept going until 8.30 p.m.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

The recent meeting of the Wotton-under-Edge Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association was attended by members from Dursley, Thornbury, Berkeley, Wotton and Nibley. After service and tea the usual business meeting was held, when Mr. F. K. Howell spoke in support of the scheme for providing a memorial for the fallen ringers of the diocese, and voiced the thanks of the ringers to the Rector (the Rev. E. R. Mosley). Some good ringing practice was obtained during the afternoon and evening.

**LATE NOTICE.**

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Estab. 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on March 2nd; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 4th and 18th; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 9th and \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 23rd. All at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

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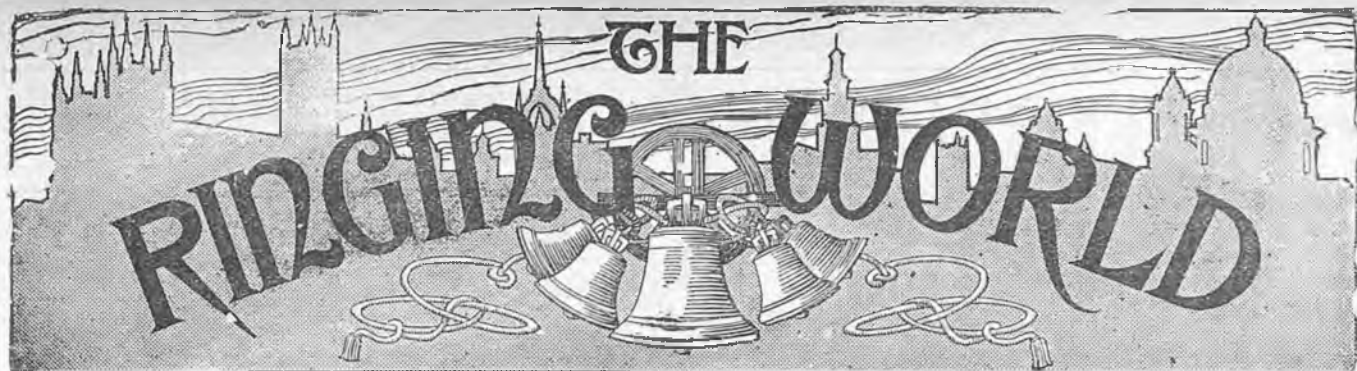
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## RECRUITING THE RANKS.

At a recent meeting of the North Notts Association there were expressions of regret that a larger number of young ringers were not coming into the Exercise, and an appeal was made by the Vicar of Worksop that efforts should be made to increase the strength of the ringers from the ranks of the congregations. The experience of the North Notts Association is not unique, and yet we find curious contrasts in other districts, where whole bands of young enthusiasts are being added to the roll of the Associations. Those, however, who are having no difficulty in keeping up the strength of the local companies, and consequently maintaining the membership of the Associations to which they are affiliated, are in an enviable position.

The case of those who lack the regular infusion of young blood is a matter for serious concern. To begin with, it results eventually, as removals and deaths occur, in so reducing the numbers at the tower affected that it becomes impossible to ring all the bells for the services, it limits the scope of practice for those who remain and, in time, undermines their enthusiasm. This in turn reacts upon the Association for the area in which the tower is situated, resulting, perchance, in the ultimate loss of this belfry. The matter, therefore, is one of more than local concern, and the North Notts Association, at any rate, recognises it in this light, and some helpful suggestions were put forward.

The first step in the remedy is unquestionably to interest the incumbent of the church, because it can generally be taken that where there is a lack of ringers there is also lack of active interest in the ringers by the parson, while, usually, where the clergyman is keen about the bells and the ringers, there will be found a flourishing band. With the help of the parson, half the difficulty in securing recruits for the belfry is overcome, for then an appeal to the congregation as a whole, or to the local branch of the C.E.M.S., is never without result. Indeed, as we have more than once pointed out, the Men's Society, which is now to be found in almost every parish, is the recruiting ground which offers the best chance of success, for it includes in its ranks men pledged to the service of the Church, who would be only too glad of the opportunity of proving their desire to help in any direction where help is needed. Interest in bells and ringing could also be stimulated by the methods so often advocated in this column, and, given the active aid of the clergy, there ought to be no parish where, despite counter attractions of a more exciting nature, there is genuine ground to lament the absence of necessary recruits for the belfry.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

SAFFRON WALDEN, ESSEX.  
THE SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY.

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5001 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.			
A. E. PITSTOW ... ..	Treble	F. PITSTOW ... ..	6
*L. E. PITSTOW ... ..	2	H. N. PITSTOW ... ..	7
F. DENCH ... ..	3	†A. EVENETT ... ..	8
†R. STRONG ... ..	4	F. J. PITSTOW ... ..	9
†G. SPARROW ... ..	5	W. PARISH ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by F. PITSTOW.

This is the first peal on the bells. \* First peal. † First peal of Stedman Caterers.

STEPNEY, E.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN, STEPNEY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 32 cwt.			
FRANK BALL ... ..	Treble	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD	6
HERBERT LANGDON ... ..	2	HORACE ADAMS ... ..	7
BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON ... ..	3	THOMAS LANGDON ... ..	8
WILLIAM S. LANGDON ... ..	4	EMANUEL HALL ... ..	9
JAMES SCHOLES ... ..	5	GEORGE BARRELL ... ..	Tenor

Composed by GEORGE R. FARDON.  
Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as the last mark of respect to the Rev. W. G. Cameron, M.A., Rector and Rural Dean of Stepney, who died on December 26th, 1919, age 45 years.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5072 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.			
HENRY LETTS ... ..	Treble	†JAMES F. GEORGE ... ..	6
CHARLES E. HART ... ..	2	ALBERT H. WARD ... ..	7
*KENNETH G. SHELDON ... ..	3	EDWARD C. GOBY ... ..	8
†FREDERICK W. HILL ... ..	4	PERCY PRICE ... ..	9
JOHN C. DICKENS ... ..	5	HENRY C. BRADLEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBY.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method and first peal as conductor.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SHIFNAL, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, January 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.			
GEORGE SCARRETT ... ..	Treble	*GEORGE JONES ... ..	5
FREDERICK W. TAYLOR ... ..	2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... ..	6
ERNEST WEATHERBY ... ..	3	ALFRED E. FULLOCK ... ..	7
WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... ..	4	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

\* First peal of Kent Treble Bob. It is over 100 years since a peal of Kent was rung at Shifnal.

ROSS, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24½ cwt. in D.			
CHARLES EDWARDS ... ..	Treble	†JOHN BEAVEN ... ..	5
*ALLEN GWYNNE ... ..	2	†WILLIAM POSTON ... ..	6
†JOHN H. RACKHAM ... ..	3	EX-SERGEANT J. WILLIAMS ... ..	7
†SIDNEY T. RACKHAM ... ..	4	JOHN CLARKE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

Conducted by C. EDWARDS.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First peal of Major.



DARTFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

*JOHN WOOTTON ... .. Treble	†EDWARD G. BATES ... .. 5
ALBERT BATES ... .. 2	FRANK E. ELLIS ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 7
HARRY RAYNER ... .. 4	EDWARD BROWN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK E. ELLIS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method with a bob bell. First peal as conductor.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

FREDERICK S. SANDERS ... Treble	HENRY HOLLIS ... .. 5
HERBERT C. SPENCER ... 2	WILLIAM J. MEERS ... .. 6
JONATHAN PRESTON ... 3	JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 7
*WILLIAM C. RHODES ... 4	JOHN E. PYWELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. MEERS.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Rev. Frederic Smith Swindell, M.A., Vicar of Erdington, Rural Dean of Aston and Honorary Chaplain to the Bishop of Birmingham.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, February 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF LITTLE ST. LAWRENCE MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

JOHN T. SCOTT ... .. Treble	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5
CHARLES N. BURDOCK ... 2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 6
CHARLES HAZELDEN ... 3	LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 7
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 4	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by the Rev. E. BANKES JAMES.

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

This is the first peal rung in the method, it is also the first peal of Major by Messrs. C. N. Burdock and G. W. Steere.

HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Tuesday, February 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

*DENNISS DEACON ... .. Treble	THOMAS ABBOTT ... .. 5
JAMES GARRATT ... .. 2	GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. HALL ... .. 3	WALTER PERKINS ... .. 7
HARRY BLUNDELL ... .. 4	*BEN MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

\* First peal. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the memory of Arthur Chapman who had been a member of this belfry for 25 years.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 12, 1919, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM T. PRIOR ... .. 5
FREDERICK BIRD ... .. 2	THOMAS JORDAN ... .. 6
WALTER PRIOR ... .. 3	HENRY DEW ... .. 7
HARRY M. WHITE ... .. 4	HENRY J. TUCKER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY DEW.

Treble, 3rd and 6th hail from Stansted, remainder belong to the local band.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, February 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	FRANK SMITH ... .. 5
OWEN H. GILES ... .. 2	ALBERT MARKS ... .. 6
CHARLES J. FRAY ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. GEORGE ... .. 7
*D. C. WILLIAMS, F.R.C.O. 4	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal.

CRAYFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*ALFRED YOUNG ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... .. 5
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 2	SPENCER MARSHALL ... .. 6
FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 7
HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. 4	SIDNEY ANSTEAD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES.

\* First peal. Rung after meeting short for Stedman.

SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE  
DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

J. RAY ... .. Treble	J. A. BROWN ... .. 5
W. A. ABBISS ... .. 2	J. SCREEN ... .. 6
F. EVANS ... .. 3	W. A. COOPER ... .. 7
H. SHEPPARD ... .. 4	B. FULLWOOD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. A. COOPER.

Rung in honour of the Golden Wedding of the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Swindell, also of his 32nd year as Vicar of Sedgley.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

*WILFRED W. BAILEY ... Treble	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 5
*LEONARD P. BAILEY ... 2	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 3	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 7
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 4	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method by eight brothers. Rung as a welcome home to the ringers of the treble, being the last one of six brothers to be demobilised.

TROWBRIDGE, WILTSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES**

Tenor 24 cwt.

SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. Treble	ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. 5
GILBERT H. HARDING ... 2	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 6
PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... .. 3	GEORGE CONDICK, JUN. ... 7
RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... 4	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HERBERT H. TUCKER.

Conducted by WILLIAM A. CAVE.

First peal in the method and quickest peal of Major on the bells. The peal was composed on 23rd December, 1900, and is now rung for the first time.

## TICHBURGH, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. in E.

TOM TEBBUTT ... .. Treble	GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 5
*PHILLIS HARE ... .. 2	JOHN R. MAIN ... .. 6
ALFRED MAWBY ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 7
WILFRED J. SHARP ... .. 4	WILLIAM PARKER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM ALLEN.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt.

## STREATHAM, SURREY.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF IMMANUEL,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. Treble	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 5
GEORGE KILBY ... .. 2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 6
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 3	HENRY STALHAM ... .. 7
LOUIS ATTWATER ... .. 4	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

The band wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells and Mr. I. S. Daniels for having everything in readiness.

## TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVE'S TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.	
HENRY W. BROWN ... .. Treble	EDMUND KING ... .. 5
GEORGE W. TEMPLE ... .. 2	CHARLES W. BELL ... .. 6
FREDERICK C. RICH ... .. 3	THOMAS F. KING ... .. 7
THOMAS HODSFLESH ... .. 4	LUTHER P. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS F. KING.

Rung to celebrate the signing of Peace.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## HITCHAM, BUCKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Consisting of 720 Oxford Treble Bob and two 720's each of Kent, Plain and Oxford Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 11 lb. in B flat.

*GEORGE ALDER ... .. Treble	GEORGE MARTIN ... .. 4
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 2	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 5
JOSEPH J. PARKER ... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. J. PARKER.

The first peal on the bells. The Rector closed the Church for the afternoon to enable the band to make the attempt free from interruption and afterwards kindly provided tea at the Rectory. \* First peal of Minor in a list of 50 performances.

## DENTON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANNE,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of (1) Armley, (2) Denton, (3) Rochester, (4) Killamash, (5) Duke of Norfolk, Islington and Norbury (spliced), (6) Neasden, College Bob iv. and Wragby (spliced), (7) Kingston, London Scholar's and Sandal (spliced).

ALFRED BARNES ... .. Treble	REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. 4
ALBERT E. MARSHALL ... .. 2	WILFRED WILDE ... .. 5
*HARRY BARDSLEY ... .. 3	JOSEPH HECKINGBOTTOM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by REV. A. T. BEESTON.

Rung as a welcome home to local ringers demobilised from the Army. \* First peal.

## BROMHAM, WILTSHIRE.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 42 Six-scores.

Tenor 18 cwt.

*WILLIAM TYSOE ... .. Treble	JOSEPH SLADE ... .. 4
THOMAS MERRITT ... .. 2	†GEORGE FREEGARD ... .. 5
GEORGE MORTIMER ... .. 3	JAMES WALKER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. SLADE.

\* First peal away from tenor. † First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a compliment to P. C. Joy.

## ASTON, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt.

SIDNEY CARTER ... .. Treble	ARTHUR PHILLIPS ... .. 4
WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ... .. 2	NATHAN PATMORE ... .. 5
BARNARD PATMORE ... .. 3	ERNEST A. OVERALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST A. OVERALL.

## WICKEN, NORTHANTS.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

HAROLD W. BIRDSEY ... .. Treble	LEONARD A. SMITH ... .. 4
THOMAS E. ROBERTS ... .. 2	THOMAS E. READ ... .. 5
ALBERT J. GREEN ... .. 3	FREDERICK C. CASE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT J. GREEN.

First peal by the ringers of 1, 2, 5, 6. All are members of the local band. Rung at the first attempt.

## TEYNHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt.

CHARLES TUMBER ... .. Treble	THOMAS JULL ... .. 4
Cecil C. BISHOP ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. WALKER ... .. 5
EDWARD H. SPICE ... .. 3	WILLIAM NYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

## LANGARREN, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(ROSS DISTRICT.)

On Wednesday, February 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Mins.,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 42 Six-scores in 10 different callings.

Tenor 11 cwt.

ERNEST H. DEW ... .. Treble	ARTHUR BREWER ... .. 4
HENRY WEALE ... .. 2	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. 5
FRANK VOICE ... .. 3	JOHN F. DILLAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

First peal for ringers of treble and tenor.

## GAYWOOD.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, February 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Consisting of two 720's of Kent, two 720's of Plain Bob and three 720's of St. Clement's Bob.

FRED MITCHELLS ... .. Treble	TOM GREENACRE ... .. 4
WILLIAM MITCHELLS ... .. 2	B. M. TARGETT ... .. 5
ROBERT GREENACRE ... .. 3	GEO. HAWES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE HAWES.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

*On Friday, January 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes.*

AT 32, EDGELEY ROAD, CLAPHAM, S.W.,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANCES;**

HERBERT LANGDON ... 1-2	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... 7-8
MRS. FRANK I. HAIRS ... 3-4	HARRY R. PASMORE ... 9-10
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... 5-6	FRANK I. HAIRS ... 11-12

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

Umpire: THOMAS LANGDON.

HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

*On Friday, February 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes.*

AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET, HARWICH,

**A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Umpire: THOMAS PHILO. Witness: GEORGE THOMPSON.

This is believed to be the first performance of the kind for the Association.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

*On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.*

IN THE VESTRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;**

ALLEN F. BAILEY ... 1-2	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... 5-6
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... 3-4	JAMES M. BAILEY ... 7-8
CHARLES SAMPSON ... 9-10	

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Witness: E. H. BAILEY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to J. M. Bailey.

EDMONTON,

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.*On Sunday, February 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes.*

AT 128, THE CRESCENT, HERTFORD ROAD,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... 1-2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... 5-6
JOHN THOMAS ... 3-4	WILBY J. HAZELL ... 7-8

Composed by FRANK BENNETT. Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

SIBLE HEDDINGHAM, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

*On Wednesday, February 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes.*

AT THE RESIDENCE OF BERNARD PETTITT,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's of Plain Bob called differently.

*BERNARD PETTITT ... 1-2	SIDNEY HALE ... 3-4
OLAVE BROYD ... 5-6	

Conducted by OLAVE BROYD. Witness: LEWIS WISEMAN.

\* First peal on handbells.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

*On Thursday, February 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes.*

IN THE NETTLES ROOM AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5129 CHANCES;**

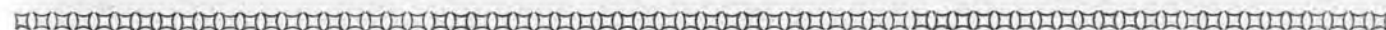
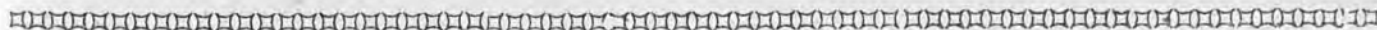
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CHARLES HAZELDEN ... 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4	LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... 7-8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... 9-10	

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

This is the first peal of Grandsire Caters by the Holy Trinity Society. First on 10 bells by G. W. Steere; first on handbells by C. Hazelden and L. W. Wiffen.

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## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE REV. H. A. COCKEY.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Many ringers who know the late Rev. H. A. Cockey may be interested to know that a memorial reredos has been placed in Oldland Church, where he was Vicar for many years. The following is an extract from the church records: 'Dec. 14th, 1919. At 11 a.m., a Reredos in memory of the late Herbert Adolphus Cockey, Vicar of the Parish from 1888 to 1916, given by the Parishioners and the Diocesan Bell Ringers' Association, was dedicated by the Rev. A. H. Sowell, M.A., Diocesan Missioner. Mr. Cockey was some time Master and hon. treasurer of the Bell Ringers' Association.'

The Reredos is of plain wainscot oak, containing five panels, with carved traceried heads. At the foot is carved, 'To the glory of God and in memory of Herbert Adolphus Cockey, Vicar of this Parish, 1888—1916.'

The cost of the work was about £100, towards which the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association collected £32 10s. 6d.—Yours faithfully,  
MICHAEL E. THOROLD.

## PROPOSED RING OF 12 FOR TAUNTON.

A meeting of St. Mary's Guild, Taunton, was held in the belfry on Monday evening, the Rev. Preb. Corfield presiding; Major Lightowers (churchwarden) being also present. After the election of officers for the ensuing year, the conductor asked the chairman to unveil a board, recording a peal of Bob Royal (5340 changes), the first peal of Royal rung in the country by resident members.

The Chairman congratulated the band on their performance, and an interesting discussion followed on the ways and means of obtaining the money to rehang the bells in St. Mary's tower, as it is considered detrimental to the tower to ring them in their present condition.

The tower contains 14 bells—10 rung in peal and four carillon bells. It is hoped to have two of these utilised and a new treble added to make a ring of twelve, and a light ring of eight, with the present 7th as tenor. It is hoped subscribers will be forthcoming in the near future.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

### ROCHDALE BRANCH MEETING.

The members of the Rochdale branch of the Lancashire Association held an exceptionally successful meeting on Saturday week at St. Thomas', Moorside, seventeen towers being represented. There were 34 members of the Rochdale and Manchester branches present, and the ringers were delighted to welcome a great many friends who attended this meeting to show their respect to the memory of the late Mr. Harry Hampson, who had passed away as a result of wounds received while serving in the Great War. It had been specially arranged to hold the meeting at Moorside in order to unveil a peal tablet recording the muffled peal that had been rung on June 25th, 1919, a little ceremony being impressively performed by the Rev. J. H. Garnett, M.A. (Vicar of the Parish). On behalf of the Moorside band, Mr. Herbert Barlow then handed over this tablet to the Vicar's care, and the Vicar said he was very pleased to receive this beautifully designed board, as it would certainly be an ornament to their tower.

The bells were kept going in touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Major. The business meeting was presided over by the Vicar. The tower chosen for next meeting was Rochdale Parish Church, the date being left in the hands of the branch secretary (Mr. T. K. Driver).

A resolution received from the Bolton branch recommending that the annual meeting of the association be held earlier in the year (about Whit-Week) was fully discussed, with the result that the majority of the Rochdale members were not in favour of any change being made. It was decided to leave over the making of any decision until other members, unable to be present on that occasion, were given an opportunity of stating their views.

The meeting concluded with the customary vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the tower, and to the local band for having everything in readiness.

Later in the evening the members of the branch were favoured with the presence of the President of the Association (Rev. Canon Elsee, M.A., Vicar of St. George's, Bolton), who spent a short time in the tower, and expressed his personal satisfaction with the tone of the bells. The members afterwards adjourned to the Moorside Hotel, where touches of Grandsire Triples were indulged in on the handbells. Attempts were made at Grandsire Caters, but owing to lack of practice, this did not prove quite as successful as might have been desired. Mr. John Mitten (of Todmorden) gave his usual excellent display of tune ringing.

PENTRE RHONDDA.—Llandaff Association.—On Monday, January 26th, 1920, at St. Peter's Church, for the consecration service of St. David's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 48 mins.: H. Crabbe 1, J. Cross 2, B. Davies 3, T. Hamlin 4, W. Page 5, F. Lasbury 6, T. Page (conductor) 7, W. Roberts 8.



## DEATH OF A VETERAN YORKSHIRE RINGER CLOSE OF A LONG CAREER.

After a ringing career of more than 60 years at the church, where his father before him was a ringer for half a century, Mr. John Wilson Lang has passed away at his home at Liversedge, at the ripe age of 79 years. As son of the late Mr. Obadiah Lang, formerly of Listing Lane Farm, Liversedge, the deceased was well known throughout the ringing circles of West Riding of Yorkshire.

Mr. Lang had been in failing health for some time, and retired from business 15 years ago, having been a partner in the firm of Messrs. O. Lang and Sons, blanket manufacturers, of Valley Road, Liversedge, for many years. His early years were spent at the Listing Lane Farm, which had been in the occupation of members of the Lang family for a few generations, and it was there that blanket manufacturing was first started. There is at the present time at the farm, a building which is known as the 'shop,' and it is believed handlooms were at work there long before power-looms had been introduced to the district.

When Mr. J. W. Lang was only a boy his father had already earned for himself a name as a first-class bell ringer, being regular in attendance at the Liversedge Parish Church. When still in his teens the deceased evinced a keen interest in the art. So much so, that at the age of sixteen years he frequently accompanied his parents to the belfry and received his instruction. He shortly afterwards joined the band of ringers at Liversedge, and when 26 years of age (in 1867), he participated in a peal of 6,240 changes, which was accomplished in three hours and 42 minutes, at the Liversedge Church. An accomplishment of which he was very proud was that he constituted one of the ringers at Liversedge when 10,272 changes were rung in two minutes short of six hours. For a period of about four years he was a member of the Birstall Parish Church belfry, and he was connected with the local handbell ringers. His father and he were the proud possessors of several campanological trophies. It was only in November of last year that Mr. Lang found it necessary to relinquish his connection with the Liversedge ringers. He was in attendance at the church when the news of the signing of the Armistice was pealed out on November 11th, 1918.

He had attended prize ringing all over the North of England, and had won the following first prizes along with his company:—Rawmarsh Abundbury, Brighouse, and Huddersfield, as well as many seconds and thirds. Mr. Lang had rung peals at all towers in the surrounding districts, and secured numerous prizes for handbell ringing; and he had also accomplished the feat of ringing all the bells at Liversedge three times round in peals of 5,020, which probably constitutes a record.

There was a large attendance at the funeral, including ringers from Liversedge, Birstall, Mirfield, Earlsheaton, Huddersfield and Lindley. After the committal a course of Grandsire was rung over the grave by W. Knott 1-2, W. Thomas 3-4, G. Bolland 5-6, S. Goodall 7-8. In the evening a date touch of 1920 Kent Treble Bob was rung on the parish church bells by B. Cook, Liversedge, 1; W. Knott, Liversedge, 2; W. Clark, Birstall, 3; A. North, Mirfield, 4; S. Goodall, Liversedge, 5; E. Lister, Liversedge, 6; E. Crother, Birstall (conductor), 7; W. Brearley, Lindley, 8. On the following Saturday a muffled peal of Kent Treble Bob was rung.

## A BELLS REPAIR FUND.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I have often wondered why there has never been established a direct church bell fund for the repair or recasting of bells. I think there should be one in every county. Why should bells in various belfries be so neglected that the time arrives when they cannot be rung at all? It makes no difference how good and expert the ringers are, good ringing cannot be obtained on bad going bells.

I would suggest that a church bell fund should be started in every county, and a Sunday appointed in each year for collections in aid. I think the first Sunday after Christmas would be a good time. The general cry is when money is wanted for this purpose, where is it to come from? I think my suggestion would put an end to that. I would further suggest that all collections should be merged in one fund and placed on deposit at some appointed bank until it is required.

To me the belfry and bells are as sacred as any other part of the church, and it has its rights as well as its duties. But in general the bells and belfry are the last consideration. That should not be.

Yours truly,

ARTHUR LORKIN.

## SURPRISE METHODS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Carter's last letter does not seem to help us much. We all know what Mr. Carter wants. What we want to know is why he wants it, and what advantage we are to get by it.—Yours faithfully,

E. BANKES JAMES.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. TUNBRIDGE WELLS NEW BELLS.

Tunbridge Wells, with its new ring of eight bells at St. Peter's Church, was the venue of the recent Tunbridge district meeting of the Kent County Association, and the attraction of ringing on this fine peal helped to bring together an attendance of 60 members from all parts of the district. Ringing was kept up during the afternoon, and the association's form of service was used in church, the Vicar (the Rev. W. H. Ferguson) officiating. The choir led the singing, and the Vicar gave a short address.

Tea in the Parish Room was presided over by the Vicar, supported by the two churchwardens, Mr. R. R. Collins and Mr. C. F. Catt, and also by Mr. C. Dean (representing Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Bell Founders, Croydon). At the conclusion of the tea, the District Secretary (Mr. W. Latter) said that the Vicar and Mr. Collins were obliged to leave owing to another engagement, and he proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and Parish Room, and for conducting the service and presiding at the tea; and to Mr. Collins for his attendance.—The Vicar, in reply, said that it gave him the greatest pleasure to meet the members, and he also announced that the debt on the bells was entirely wiped out. This announcement was received with applause.

The business meeting followed, Mr. C. F. Catt presiding.—The District Secretary read his annual report and balance sheet, which were considered very satisfactory.—About 30 new practising members and three new hon. members were elected. It was decided that the quarterly meetings for the ensuing year should be held at Edenbridge, East Peckham, Sevenoaks or Staplehurst, and the next annual meeting at Tonbridge.

The District Secretary was re-elected. Mr. Latter returned thanks for his re-election, remarking that he had held that office for 25 years, and thanked the secretaries of the various bands for their kind assistance.—Mr. G. Edwards (Penshurst) was re-elected district representative.

The District Secretary then made an earnest appeal to the members for subscriptions to the Association's War Memorial, which it was proposed should be the addition of two bells to the peal of ten at Canterbury Cathedral, and the erection of a tablet in the Cathedral. He said that about 60 members of the Association had laid down their lives in the Great War, and he read the names of 12 members of this district. He hoped that the members would enable the committee to carry out the scheme, and thus perpetuate the memory of their fallen brothers in true ringers' fashion.

Mr. G. H. Stonesteele, of Tonbridge, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Catt for presiding at the meeting, and also to Mr. Collins and the late and present Vicars for the part they had taken in getting the bells recast and relunged; and dwelt on the vast improvement in the tone and 'go' of the bells as compared with the old ones.—This was seconded by Mr. C. Dean (Croydon).

The District Secretary, in putting the resolution, spoke of the enormous difficulties that had been overcome in carrying out the work by the opposition some people had expressed to the work being done, and also of the difficulty in raising the amount required (nearly £500). He also said that the ladies of the parish deserved the highest praise for the manner in which they organised and carried out the house-to-house collection and the concert, which had so materially helped to wipe out the debt.

Mr. Catt, in reply, recounted some of the difficulties they had encountered, but they were amply repaid now by possessing such a beautiful peal of bells, which had been pronounced by that well-known expert on bell-tuning (Mr. W. W. Sturmer) to be absolutely correct in tone. He was also gratified to hear the favourable comments of the members present that day. He also mentioned that the whole of the money had been raised within a year.

Votes of thanks to the organist and choir for their services, concluded the meeting, and the members again adjourned to the tower, and the bells were kept going until nine o'clock.

## SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday last a monthly meeting of the Salop Archidiaconal Guild was held at St. Leonard's Church, Malins Lee; and the weather being favourable, there was a fair attendance of members, about 20 being present, several members cycling 15 miles to the tower. The following branches were represented: Shrewsbury, Coalbrookdale, Bridgnorth, Malins Lee, and Stanton-on-Hinehoath. Tea was provided by Mrs. Woodvine and friends in the parish hall. During the afternoon and evening, touches in the following methods were rung: Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles and Plain Bob, Double Court, College Single, Kent Treble Bob and Canterbury Pleasure Minor.

BENHILTON, SURREY.—On Thursday, Feb. 5th, at a 68th birthday compliment to the conductor, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at All Saints' Church: Miss V. Shorter 1, A. J. Perkins (conductor) 2, H. Skelt 3, F. Ford 4, R. Lathbury 5, A. Clark 6, R. Brough 7, B. Hall 8.

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## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. DEARTH OF YOUNG RINGERS.

A quarterly meeting of the North Notts Association was held at Workop on Saturday, February 7th, when 30 members assembled from Anston, Blyth, Gainsborough, Harthill, Lincoln, Shireoaks, Norton Cuckney, and Workop. The Priory bells were most kindly placed at the disposal of the members, and many touches were rung of Oxford and Kent, Violet, Woodbine, Plain Bob, Standard and Cambridge Surprise, the conducting of which was shared by Messrs. J. S. Betts (Lincoln), C. F. Fowler and H. Stenton (Anston), F. Hargreaves (Shireoaks), and H. Haigh (Workop).

The Vicar (Canon D'Arcy) presided over the tea and the business meeting which followed. Mr. D. Linton, of Norton Cuckney, was elected a probationary member; and the next meeting (annual) will be held at Retford in May.

The Hon. Secretary drew the members' attention to the importance of electing as many vice-presidents in the association as possible; in fact, every town or village affiliated should be represented by at least one hon. member, and when elected the members of the tower should keep in touch with them, and not allow their membership to lapse. He admitted the clergy had passed, and were still passing, through a very critical period, financially; in fact, they were having the most trying time of their existence, but all were anxious to keep in touch with the association.

The Hon. Secretary moved a vote of thanks to the Rev. Canon D'Arcy for presiding over the tea and meeting, and also for granting the use of the bells.—Mr. J. Guest (Harthill) seconded, and the motion was carried with acclamation.

The Chairman, in acknowledgment, paid a great tribute to the ringers' activities as church workers. Many years ago their science, he said, was not regarded with the respect and reverence that it was to-day. He did not know why, unless it was because the tower and ringers were isolated from the rest of the church and the ringers were unseen by the people. What he particularly noticed that day amongst the ringers present was the many old and middle-aged men, and only one young new member had been elected. Many of the men there, by dint of hard work, and assiduous perseverance, had become experts in their beautiful art of campanology. He did not understand much about it, nevertheless he knew it was a most extraordinary art to manipulate the ropes and produce those beautiful changes which have come down from the ages. Where were all the young men of Workop and other places? Why were they not following in the footsteps of their predecessors? He was just afraid the rising generation of young men all over the country found something with more fun and excitement to occupy their spare time, and were not so interested in the art as their forefathers. But what was going to happen when the old ringers passed away or others left the neighbourhood? Who would fill their places? He exhorted the young members to follow in the footsteps of their elders, and to try and carry on steadfastly in their duty as churchmen. Continuing, the Chairman remarked that the hon. secretary had hit the nail on the head when he alluded to some of the poor clergy resident in North Notts and other places. They could meet one almost every day trying to carry a smile on his face, ready to crack a joke, but who, in the innermost recesses of his heart, had a feeling of heaviness. They were almost broken-hearted not because they were thinking of themselves, but the future of their wives and children. A fund had been started in that district, but no one liked to accept charity. What a man wanted was honest work and respectable pay. There would no doubt be a change some day. A steam roller moved very slowly, but when it got to work it did its work powerfully and well. He asked the ringers to carry on the good work they were doing, and make known in the town and village, wherever they went, the true position of the clergy.

The Hon. Secretary thanked the Canon for his most inspiring address, and said he had touched on the fringe of two subjects that would give food for reflection for many days to come.

Further ringing was indulged in during the evening, and the bells were lowered in peal at 8.30 p.m.

H. H.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the Winchester District was held at Winchester on February 14th. Tea was provided at St. Maurice Hall, and was followed by a business meeting presided over by Canon Braithwaite, supported by the Rev. W. E. Colchester, the Rev. E. Banks James, and Messrs. J. W. Elkins, E. Williams (Master), W. T. Tucker, W. H. George (secretary), and a good attendance of members from Winchester and North Stoneham. Mr. A. Bowker was elected hon. member, and six probationary members belonging to St. Maurice's tower were also elected.

Ringings at the Cathedral consisted of Double Norwich, Grandsire and Stedman Caters, and at St. Maurice's (a new peal of six), Bob Minor, Stedman, and a 720 of Kent Treble Bob (the first in the method on the bells): O. Giles 1, Rev. E. Banks James 2, C. Woolley 3, A. Marks 4, W. H. George 5, W. T. Tucker (conductor) 6.

## NOTICES.

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WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Swansea, on Saturday, March 6th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service at 5.30, followed by tea.—Charles Morse, Sec., 2, Dycock Road, Sketty, Swansea.

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—A meeting will be held by kind permission on Saturday, March 6th, at Midsomer Norton. Bells available from 3 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—Edith Smith, 12, Auburn Road, Bristol.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—The next meeting will be held at Swanscombe on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 3; service and address by the Rector (Rev. Campbell Ward) at 5; the Rector is kindly providing tea in the Parish Room at 5.30. Subscriptions for 1920 should be paid at or before the meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. District Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Newport Pagnell on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—D. Sear, Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Horley on Saturday, March 6th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.45 p.m. All ringers cordially invited.—N. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bagshot on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 3; Service at 5. Tea, by kind permission of Mr. Nye, at Lynhurst. All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Owlsmoor, Camberley.

LADIES' GUILD.—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at Dorking on Saturday, March 6th. Ringing 3 to 4.30 and after service. Tea at 4.30, followed by meeting. Service at 6, address by Canon Chichester. All ringers welcome.—Mrs. Hazelden, St. Michaels, Joseph's Road, Guildford.

SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The March meeting will be held at Bolsover on Saturday, the 6th. Bells ready 2 o'clock. Tea at 5 in Church Hall, at 1/- per head.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The annual meeting of this Guild will be held at Dudley on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock; Service at 4, which will be conducted by the President, the Rev. A. H. Phelps (Vicar). It is urgently hoped that all outstanding contributions will be paid at this meeting.—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Bartholomew's, on Saturday, March 6th. Bells available 5 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.



**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Estab. 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on March 9th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 18th; and \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 23rd. All at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Alban's District.—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms, Hatfield, Dis. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The early Spring meeting of the above will be held at Deal on Saturday, March 13th. Bells at Deal and Walmer available for ringing. Service at St. Leonard's, Deal, conducted by the Rector at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting after. Tea will be provided at 1/6 each for those who send their names to Mr. S. Mockett, Holly Cottage, London Road, Upper Deal, by the Wednesday before the meeting.—Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Church Kirk on Saturday, March 13th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting of the Western District will be held at Birstall on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 until 9 p.m. Short service in church 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 in Boys' School. business meeting afterwards.—P. L. Cooper, Hon. District Sec., 12, Willoughby Avenue, Holbeck.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Ranmoor, Sheffield, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea will be provided at 1/- per head to those who notify Mr. C. Haynes, 439, Sandygate Road, Sheffield, not later than March 9th.—Arthur Hague, Dis. Sec., 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, March 13th. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown St., Harrow.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Henbury on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30, tea at 5 p.m.—P. C. Williams, Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—A special meeting on finance will be held at the King of Denmark, after practice at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, on Saturday, March 13th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society). Estab. 1824.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, March 20th, at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomsbury, W.C. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Pickering, North Yorks, on Saturday, March 20th, for the purpose of re-organising the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association, and all towers interested are hereby invited to send delegates to that meeting. Tea will be provided at 5 p.m. for which a small charge will be

made. All applications for tea must reach Miss A. L. Henderson, 'Mayfield,' Pickering, not later than the first post on Tuesday, March 16th.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec. (*pro tem.* Yorkshire Association), 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Nottingham on Easter Monday, April 5th, to receive officers' report, treasurer's accounts, and for the election of officers for the ensuing year. Under Rule 7, nominations for the various positions must reach me one month before the meeting. Further particulars of meeting later.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

**MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. HENRY WHITE.**—The Basingstoke Combined Society (St. Michael's and All Saints') respectfully invite contributions towards a fund being raised to erect a suitable memorial in recognition of the sterling work of the late Mr. Henry White, who for upwards of 30 years was Sexton and Captain of ringers at St. Michael's, a leading conductor and Hon. Auditor of the Winchester Diocesan Guild and one of its representatives on the Central Council from its formation. Contributions will be gratefully received and acknowledged by Mr. Councillor Wyeth (Churchwarden), 17, New Street, Basingstoke.

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**NORTON-IN-THE-MOORS, STAFFS.**—On Monday, January 19th, at the St. Bartholomew's Church 240 each of London, Wells, Bristol, Lichfield, Worcester, Cambridge, and Killamarsh Surprise, in 53 mins.: E. E. Johnson 1, J. E. Wheeldon 2, W. C. Lawrence (conductor) 3, J. F. Ryles 4, J. Walley 5, F. T. Dawson 6.

**MIDSOMER NORTON.**—On January 25th, at the Church of St. John the Baptist, before evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: W. Milbourne 1, S. Carter 2, I. B. Holmyard 3, A. Speed 4, J. T. Dyke (conductor) 5, J. Hambleton 6, W. Farley 7, W. Keavill 8. The quarter-peal was the composition of the late Mr. A. P. Wakley, of Burton-on-Trent, and, in addition to being rung for Divine service, it was also rung as a compliment to the Vicar (the Rev. W. H. W. Williams) and Mrs. Williams, January 25th being the anniversary of their wedding day.



**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****UNVEILING CEREMONY AT LEWISHAM.**

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham district was held at Greenwich, members turning up in good force. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major, Grandsire and Stedman Caters, and Treble Bob Royal were rung and service was held in the church, over fifty being present, including the two churchwardens (Mr. J. East and Mr. W. C. Fretwell). The Vicar (the Rev. F. J. Tackley) officiated, assisted by the Rev. D. R. Evans (curate), the organist and choir also being present. Mr. F. W. Thornton read the lesson.

Previous to the Nunc Dimittis, the clergy, choir and the churchwardens proceeded to the west end of the church, and the Vicar dedicated a marble tablet recording a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters, rung to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the consecration of the building, and a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, to celebrate the conclusion of the great war.

The Vicar then gave a short address, in which he spoke very kindly of ringers and their duties, and also made feeling allusion to those who had given their lives for their country.

Tea followed, the Vicar and churchwardens sitting down with the company. The business meeting was held in the Church house, Mr. W. J. Jeffries in the chair. Fifteen new members were elected, and Beckenham was selected for the next quarterly meeting in April.

Mr. W. J. Jeffries then read his report of the Central Committee meeting, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded him. Cordial thanks were also accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, his address, and the use of the room, to the organist and choir, and others who assisted to make the meeting so successful.

**CIRENCESTER.**—At the Parish Church, on New Year's Eve, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1263 changes): R. W. Watts 1, G. Timbrell 2, W. G. Cook 3, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 4, S. Hicks 5, G. Dore 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.—At Holy Trinity Church, Watermore, on Sunday, January 18th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes): A. Parsons 1, J. E. Waters 2, W. G. Cook 3, F. J. Lewis 4, S. Hicks (conductor) 5, G. Dore 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.

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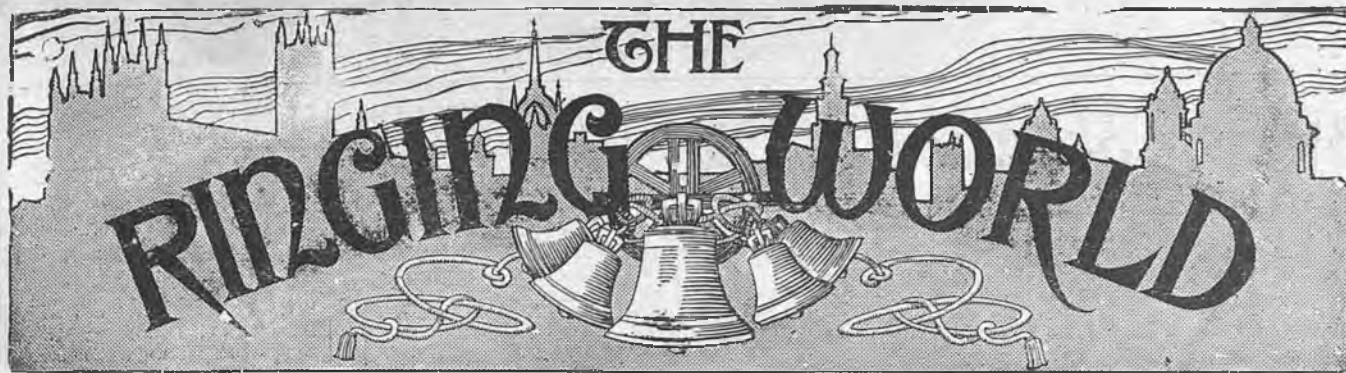
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## WHEN EXPERTS DISAGREE.

The Hon. Secretary of the Devon Guild, in writing upon the position taken up by Mr. John Carter in the question of the definition of a Surprise method, touches upon an important aspect which ought not to be overlooked, and that is that after a lapse of years Mr. Carter puts forward views which do not coincide with those to which he had previously subscribed his name as a member of the Central Council's Legitimate Methods Committee. Without entering into the question whether Mr. Carter's contention is right or not, we have in this controversy, as we have had in others, the spectacle of a member of a Committee disagreeing with a report to which he has been a party. Every man, of course, is allowed to change his mind; but when the Council's experts, to whom the Exercise look for a lead, disagree thus strongly upon a matter of principle, the faith of the general body of ringers in the Council's authority, or its ability to legislate, is shaken.

It can hardly be hoped that on any subject relating to method construction and classification we shall get unanimity among the experts, and failing this the Exercise must presumably accept the views of the majority; but the position of the Council is a little difficult when committeemen throw over the findings of their own Committees. In Mr. Carter's case, his views upon Bristol Surprise, if accepted, would rule out of the Surprise class several of the six-bell Surprise methods, for the classification of which he was jointly responsible with others. In change ringing the methods came first and the definitions were made to suit the methods—Bristol included. The whole argument in this particular case, of course, turns upon what is meant by a 'cross-section,' and as the definition was specially drawn by the author to cover Bristol and methods of kindred construction, the Exercise, we think, will be prepared to accept the Rev. E. Bankes James' claim.

But the broader question remains: what is to be the position of the Council in attempting to guide the Exercise if those whom it selects to give that guidance disagree among themselves? We had a striking instance of this disagreement in the controversy on Lead Ends, and now we have another example. As a correspondent remarks, 'Under such conditions, what authority are we to attach to the Central Council publications, which are perhaps the most important and lasting work which the Council has done for the Exercise?' The Council has no way that we can see of guarding against a sudden change of view on the part of a sponsor to a report; but the committeeman who had committed himself to a proposition by adding his name to it might reasonably be asked officially to give the reasons for his change of view.

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On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES;**

Tenor 37½ cwt.

JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM STORY ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 2	BENJAMIN C. DIXON ... .. 8
JOSEPH ROWELL ... .. 3	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 9
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 4	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 10
JOHN MCKEAG ... .. 5	RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 11
JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN. 6	AMOS TRIPPIER ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

Messrs. Washbrook, Chapman, Deal and Trippier hail from Manchester. This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the 6th 17 courses wrong and 20 courses right.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Thursday, February 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

JAMES W. DRIVER ... .. Treble	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... .. 2	*GEORGE C. ISLES ... .. 7
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 3	*ARTHUR HARDING ... .. 8
ALFRED W. DARLINGTON 4	*WILLIAM H. WOOD ... .. 9
*FRANK SKEVINGTON ... .. 5	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. CHARGE.

\* First peal of Royal. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. H. Hollier.

WALTHAMSTOW, N.E.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... Treble	JAMES C. ADAMS ... .. 6
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 2	FREDERICK C. MAYNARD ... 7
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 8
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 4	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. 9
HENRY RUMENS ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. FREEMAN ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5472 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. Treble	ALBERT JAGGER ... .. 5
ERNEST H. SIMPSON ... .. 2	JOHN W. MOORHOUSE ... .. 6
GERALD MOORHOUSE ... .. 3	CHARLES A. CRAVEN ... .. 7
WILLIAM JOYCE ... .. 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by CHARLES A. CRAVEN.

This was the 3rd ringer's first peal on tower bells, and was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. D. F. E. Sykes, of Marsden, the tenor man's father. This peal contains the extent of the 4th, 5th and 6th in the 6th's place, and the 2nd never there.

HEAVITREE.—Devonshire Guild.—On Sunday, February 8th, in 35 mins., Brook's quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes) was rung at the Parish Church: R. Hamilton 1, W. Lethbridge 2, J. Sandover 3, F. Gardner 4, G. Betts 5, C. G. Glass 6, F. J. Davey (conductor) 7, A. Mitchell 8.



# HEENE, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 10½ cwt.	
H. MEETEN ... .. Treble		H. TULETT ... .. 5	
J. FARMER ... .. 2		W. HILLMAN ... .. 6	
A. GROVES ... .. 3		E. LINDUP ... .. 7	
G. NORRIS ... .. 4		*W. MARTIN ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by E. LINDUP.

\* First peal. The bells were rung fully muffled as a mark of respect for the late Mr. H. Evans, who has been for many years a member of the Heene band.

# HORBURY, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.	
TOM HENSHAW ... .. Treble	CHARLES SENIOR ... .. 5
GEORGE HUNT ... .. 2	WILLIAM B. FRITH ... .. 6
HERBERT ROWLEY ... .. 3	HERBERT DRANSFIELD ... .. 7
GERALD MOORHOUSE ... .. 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.  
Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

This was Mr. T. Henshaw's first peal on eight bells. This composition contains the extent of the 5th and 6th in 6th's place and the 4th 18 times each way in 5-6, and is now rung for the first time.

# WORSLEY. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

E. TAYLOR'S BOB AND SINGLE.		Tenor 21 cwt.	
FRED GRUNDY ... .. Treble		JOHN POTTER ... .. 5	
*JOSEPH RIDYARD ... .. 2		JOSEPH H. RIDYARD ... .. 6	
WILLIAM JONES ... .. 3		PERCY H. DERBYSHIRE ... .. 7	
STANLEY HARRISON ... .. 4		ARTHUR BURTON ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by JOSEPH H. RIDYARD.

This peal was rung to celebrate the wedding of Miss Phillis Egerton (the only daughter of the Hon. Francis Egerton) to Mr. Guy Rogers. The ringers of the 5th and tenor hail from Walkden, the rest to the local company. \* First peal away from the tenor.

# HORNCHURCH, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 19 cwt.	
ROWLAND FENN ... .. Treble	ARTHUR H. HARRISON ... .. 5
ARTHUR C. CHAPLIN ... .. 2	ALBERT C. HARDY ... .. 6
ARTHUR J. WORBOYS ... .. 3	JOHN DALE ... .. 7
GEORGE COTTIS ... .. 4	CALEB FENN ... .. Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN.  
Conducted by CALEB FENN.

This peal was rung as a compliment to John Dale. The Vicar and several ringers congratulated the band at the finish of the peal upon the striking. This composition is now rung for the first time.

# LEDBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MICHAEL AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.		Tenor 24 cwt. in D.	
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. Treble		JAMES DANCE ... .. 5	
CHARLES LAYTON ... .. 2		WILLIAM J. MANSELL ... .. 6	
ALBERT E. HURCOMBE ... .. 3		THOMAS DAVIES ... .. 7	
WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... .. 4		HENRY J. TAYLOR ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

# HEAVITREE, EXETER. THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD. (EXETER DISTRICT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLLIS' FIVE-PART.		Tenor 26 cwt.	
FRANK GARDNER ... .. Treble		CHARLES G. GLASS ... .. 5	
FRANK J. DAVEY ... .. 2		WILLIAM R. BOUNDY ... .. 6	
THOMAS LAVER ... .. 3		JOHN SANDOVER ... .. 7	
GEORGE BETTS ... .. 4		ARTHUR MITCHELL ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by FRANK J. DAVEY.

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# RANMORE COMMON, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E flat.	
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 5
OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 2	JOHN HOYLE ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.  
Conducted by A. H. WINCH.

# WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 25 cwt.	
WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. Treble	ALFRED WATSON ... .. 5
JOHN WYMER ... .. 2	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 6
JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 7
*WALTER CHANDLER ... .. 4	FRANK R. COPEMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.  
Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Major in the method.

# CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F.	
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. Treble	*JOHN SMITH ... .. 5
JOHN BASS ... .. 2	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... .. 6
JOHN WITHERS ... .. 3	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. 7
SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 4	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.  
Conducted by ALFRED DAVIES.

\* First peal of Cambridge Major.

# NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5248 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt.	
ALBERT JAGGER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM JOYCE ... .. 5
GERALD MOORHOUSE ... .. 2	JOHN W. MOORHOUSE ... .. 6
ELI FARRAR ... .. 3	JOE GREENWOOD ... .. 7
JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.  
Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

This was Mr. Eli Farrar's first peal and it was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. John Joyce.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM, SOUTH HACKNEY.

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

ALAN R. MACDONALD... ..Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 7
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... ..Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

The above is R. Sander's 300th peal.

## CHISLEHURST, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, February 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

†THOMAS PHILLIPS ... ..Treble	PERCY E. SPICE ... .. 5
ISAAC EMERY ... .. 2	GEORGE DURLING ... .. 6
*FRANK GORRINGE ... .. 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 7
JAMES FORD ... .. 4	HARRY DURLING ... ..Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

\* First peal. † First peal away from the tenor. It is also the  
quickest peal on the bells.

## PENTRE, RHONDDA.

## THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S FIVE-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

JAMES CROSS ... ..Treble	†FREDERICK LASBURY... .. 5
TOM PAGE ... .. 2	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 6
†HERBERT DAVIES ... .. 3	HARRY PAGE ... .. 7
THOMAS HAMLIN ... .. 4	*WILLIAM ROBERTS ... ..Tenor

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. † First peal with a  
bob bell.

## SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN JOYCE ... ..Treble	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 5
JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. 2	FIRTH HOPWOOD ... .. 6
HERBERT HAIGH... .. 3	THOMAS B. KENDALL... .. 7
FREDERICK SEAGER ... .. 4	ERNEST H. SIMPSON ... ..Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS B. KENDALL.

Rung on the occasion of the enthronement of the first Bishop of  
Bradford, Dr. A. W. T. Perowne, also as a birthday compliment to  
the ringers of the treble and 4th.

## PRESTWICH, LANCs.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

J. W. WASHBROOK, JUN. ...Treble	J. W. WASHBROOK, SEN. ... 5
R. F. DEAL ... .. 2	W. H. SHUKER ... .. 6
GEORGE TURNER... .. 3	HARRY CHAPMAN... .. 7
J's, WINTERBOTTOM ... .. 4	ROBERT H. BENT ... ..Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN.

First peal in the method on the bells, and first peal since the bells  
were recently rehung and back six recast by Messrs. John Taylor & Co.

BRADING, ISLE OF WIGET.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

FREDERICK BURNETT ... ..Treble	A. R. WARD ... .. 5
Sgt. T. PARROTT, Hants Regt. 2	OLIVER COOMBS ... .. 6
WILLIAM TATE ... .. 3	*WILLIAM BOLTON ... .. 7
HENRY JENNINGS... .. 4	RICHARD J. STONE ... ..Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM BOLTON.

A. R. Ward, and H. Jennings belong to Ryde, Fred Burnett and  
Wm. Tate, of St. Thomas's, Portsmouth, R. J. Stone to St. Mary's,  
Kingston, Sergt. Parrott to Gosport, Oliver Coombs to Alverstoke,  
the Conductor to St. John's, Cardiff. This was Sergt. Parrott's first  
peal and first attempt. \* First peal as conductor.

## DARTFORD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. Treble	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 5
JOHN WHEADON ... .. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 6
RICHARD MORGAN ... .. 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 7
WALTER SMITH ... .. 4	HARRY SIMMONS ... ..Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

First peal of Stedman on the bells since being recast and rehung by  
Messrs. Mears & Stainbank.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 25½ cwt.

WILLIAM C. HART ... ..Treble	JOHN W. GOLDING ... .. 5
OLIVER SIPPETTS... .. 2	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 6
ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 3	CAPT. J. R. MACKMAN ... 7
WILLIAM WATTS, SEN. ... 4	KEITH HART... ..Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent  
Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr.

GEORGE HEWITT... ..Treble	*GEORGE LINES ... .. 4
LEONARD WYMAN ... .. 2	WALTER PERKINS ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. GILBERT... .. 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ...Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY,

\* Fiftieth peal.

## THRANDESTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, College Exer-  
cise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford  
Treble Bob.

CHARLES NUNN ... ..Treble	ALPHAUS BERRY ... .. 4
EDWARD YOUNGS... .. 2	GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 5
WILLIAM ROSE ... .. 3	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE ...Tenor

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLLE.

First peal on the bells.

**OHIDDINGLEY, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 Six-scores.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

W. H. WHITE ... ..	Treble	*REV. C. H. CLARKE ... ..	4
C. H. HUMPHREY ... ..	2	A. REED ... ..	5
W. JENNER ... ..	3	W. ELLIS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by A. REED.

\* First peal with a bob bell. Rung in honour of the birth of a son and heir to the Vicar, also as a compliment to the ringers of the 4th and 5th, whose birthdays fell upon Feb. 12th and 13th respectively. C. H. Humphrey was elected a member previous to starting.

**LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(THE LITTLE MUNDEN SOCIETY.)

*On Tuesday, February 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Duke of York, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

SIDNEY CARTER ... ..	Treble	PTE. A. PHILLIPS, Royal	
Ex-Tpr. B. CARTER, 9th Lan-		Fusiliers ... ..	4
cers ... ..	2	PTE. E. A. OVERALL, East	
Ex-Bomber, G. H. CARTER,		Kents ... ..	5
R.G.A. ... ..	3	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ...	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

Rung as a 'welcome home' to all the men of the parish returned from the war, especially to those of the band. The ringers are all residents of the parish.

**BENHILTON.**—On February 14th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Bob Major: Miss V. Shorter 1, J. Beams 2, Mrs. Whittington 3, A. Trappitt 4, R. Lathbury 5, H. Garfath 6, C. Read 7, A. Clark (conductor) 8.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

LONDON.

**THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS**

*On Friday, February 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT 32, EDGELEY ROAD, CLAPHAM, S.W.,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5018 CHANGES;**

JOHN THOMAS ... ..	1-2	HARRY R. PASMORE ... ..	5-6
HERBERT LANGDON ... ..	3-4	ALFRED B. PECK ... ..	7-8
		WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ...	9-10

Composed by GEORGE R. FARDON. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.  
Umpire: EDWIN HORREX.

**LADIES' GUILD.**

The quarterly meeting of the Western District was held at Mid somer Norton on Saturday last. Owing to the stormy weather there was a much smaller attendance than had been hoped for, but the bells were much appreciated and enjoyed by those present.

Three new members were elected, and hearty thanks were expressed to the Vicar for conducting the service, and to Mr. and Mrs. Holmyard for making all arrangements, and for providing the excellent tea.

It is hoped to hold the next meeting at Weston-super-Mare, in June.

**AN INTERESTING RECORD.**

With a peal at Hackney, on February 14th, Mr. Reuben Sanders reached his third century in peals, and his record is an interesting one, comprising Stedman Triples, 49; Stedman Caters, 45; Stedman Cinques, 27; Superlative Surprise Major, 39; Bristol Surprise Major 33; London Surprise Major, 20; Cambridge Surprise Maximus, 2; Cambridge Surprise Royal, 19; Cambridge Surprise Major 14; Treble Bob Major, 12; Treble Bob Royal, 6; Treble Bob Maximus, 4; Grandsire Triples, 13; Grandsire Caters, 1; Grandsire Doubles, 2; Double Norwich Major 5; Plain Bob Major, 4; Norfolk Surprise Major, 3; Bob Minor, 2; total, 300.

**NEWPORT, MON.**—Llandaff Association.—At the Church of All Saints, on Monday, February 16th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes): \*B. Wilson 1, \*F. Greedy 2, T. Ford 3, R. C. Seager 4, F. Atwell 5, O. Greedy 6, J. W. Jones (conductor) 7, \*G. H. Day 8  
\* First quarter-peal.

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### THE JOHNSON DINNER.

That popular Birmingham gathering, the Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner, is to be held on Saturday, March 27th. An advertisement in our notice columns gives full particulars, but those intending to be present are advised to make early application for tickets to the hon. secretary, Mr. Alf. Paddon Smith.

### EPSOM'S NEW BELLS.

The cost of the new peal of eight bells, recast from the existing octave at the Parish Church, Epsom, is to be borne by Mr. A. J. Warren, who was churchwarden from 1905 to 1914, in memory of his wife. The oldest of the present bells was cast 208 years ago. The recasting of the peal has been entrusted to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

### SURPRISE METHODS AND THE ETHICS OF AUTHORSHIP

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—Will Mr. Carter allow me to remind him, with all respect, that a collection of methods was published some years ago, and is still being offered for sale under the authority of a committee of the Central Council, Mr. John Carter himself being one of them? Among these methods are several denominated Surprise which have no internal places either at the Treble's full lead or lie. While everyone has a perfect right to change his mind, those who look to these publications for guidance as the considered opinion of the experts responsible for them have surely the right to know why they are now asked to adopt a different attitude from that previously indicated to them and, above all, to expect that no doubt be cast on the bona-fide subscription of members of Central Council Committee to the opinions they publish.—Yours, etc.,  
E. S. POWELL,  
Holbeton Vicarage, Plymouth.

### RECRUITING THE RANKS.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Your leading article in the current issue, commenting and enlarging upon the appeal of the Vicar of Worktop for more recruits into the ranks of change ringers will be read with very great interest by all who have the science of campanology at heart, for it touches upon a problem which is of vital importance to the future of the Exercise. It is, however, not a problem without a solution, and your valuable suggestions, if carried out, ought to go a long way towards solving the difficulty.

There is, however, another question arising out of it, to which I would like to draw the attention of all bands of ringers, and especially to bring to the notice of branch secs., and that is the question of 'lost recruits,' for it is a fact that large numbers of recruits are lost to the Exercise for the want of a system which I am going to suggest. I think that it will generally be agreed that the largest number of recruits are obtained in country districts, where facilities for practice are greater than in the towns, and where there is not the continual danger of causing annoyance and a nuisance by the discord of badly rung bells, but the day when young men are content to live and die in the village in which they were born is long past, their horizon is extended, and now as the result of higher education we find them launching out in all directions, and the home belfry is continually faced with the necessity of obtaining recruits.

Now what becomes of these former recruits? A large majority of them are undoubtedly lost. Owing to natural shyness and a feeling of inefficiency, the majority do not care to introduce themselves to the local band, or, some being only six bell ringers, do not care to approach an eight bell tower, and so the Exercise loses a great deal of its very promising material. Now, my suggestion is this, every branch secretary ought to be notified when a ringer leaves his district, and an intimation should be sent by him to the secretary of the district into which the ringer has gone to reside, and the captain of the nearest band should be invited to extend to him a welcome. It would be an excellent thing if, for this purpose, the Central Council would compile a complete list of names and addresses of all branch secretaries as a book of reference, for I am convinced that the result obtained would more than justify the effort made.—Yours faithfully,  
Newton House, Gloucester. A. ALLAN BENNETT.

### MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Nottingham District was held at Bottesford on Saturday, February 28th, members being present from Bulwell, Cotgrave, Grantham, Long Bennington, Nottingham, Orston, Radcliffe-on-Trent, as well as the local band. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Court Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Major were successfully brought round.

At the business meeting, which was held in the belfry (Mr. H. R. Cobbin in the chair), it was decided to hold the next meeting of Heanor on March 27th.—A vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells and the local band for the arrangements brought a very successful meeting to a close.



**BRISTOL SURPRISE.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I was the first individual to call attention in the 'Bell News' to the qualities of Bristol Surprise Major, and among other things I pointed out it was the first Surprise Method published, with Bob Major Lead-ends, without adjoining places; also that the method had a clean proof scale, tenors together, that the bells were always in proper coursing order in front and behind. All of these qualities have long been searched for by many of us, but to the Rev. E. B. James belongs the credit of this discovery, and to no other. I have taken the trouble to write out and examine the four methods mentioned by Mr. Carter in your last issue. It is quite true of all of them to say that the bells are in proper coursing order in 7-8, but by no stretch of the imagination can they be said to be in proper coursing order in 1-2. Following is the first lead of my method Brighton Surprise plus 7th's and 2nd's places added when the treble is behind and in front respectively.

It is quite true we get a variation in this way of the original method, but 7th's and 2nd's places next the treble, or any other bell, have been objected to by most of the modern method builders.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
2 1 4 3 6 5 8 7  
1 2 3 4 6 8 5 7  
2 1 4 3 8 6 7 5  
2 4 1 8 3 6 5 7  
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2 4 1 8 6 3 5 7  
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8 6 7 2 1 4 5 3  
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8 6 1 2 4 7 5 3  
6 8 2 1 4 7 3 5  
8 6 1 2 7 4 5 3  
8 1 6 7 2 4 3 5  
1 8 7 6 4 2 5 3  
8 1 6 7 4 5 2 3  
1 8 7 6 5 4 3 2  
1 8 6 7 4 5 2 3

In the foregoing method it can be truly said the bells are always in proper coursing order in 1-2 and 7-8, and the method also has a clean proof scale, tenors together.

In conclusion, I might say that I adopted the Rev. E. Banks James's definition for a Surprise Method as soon as it was sent to me, and I see no reason at present for altering it.—Yours faithfully,

GEORGE BAKER.

2, North Street Quadrant, Brighton.

**INTERESTING 'FAMILY' PERFORMANCE.**

A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung for evening service on February 22nd at Otlands, Surrey, in 50 mins., by \*Mrs. W. Shepherd 1, Ferris Shepherd, senr., 2, \*Miss Edna Woodrow 3, Miss Ida Woodrow 4, A. Woodrow 5, W. A. Woodrow 6, F. J. Shepherd 7, W. Shepherd (conductor) 8. The ringers of 3, 4 and 6 are two daughters and son of the 5th ringer, while the ringers of treble, 7th and tenor are daughter and two sons of the 2nd ringers. \* First quarter-peal.

**BIRTHDAY COMPLIMENT TO VICAR.**

At Scarborough, on Sunday, Feb. 22nd, before evensong, as a compliment to the Rev. Canon Cooper, Vicar of Filey, on his attaining his 70th birthday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes) was rung in 48 mins., by: H. Priest 1, J. R. Fryers 2, H. Milner 3, H. Gibson 4, H. Ferguson 5, H. R. Cobbin (St. Peter's, Nottingham) 6, J. R. Barton (conductor) 7, T. Cole 8.

STONEY STANTON.—On Sunday, February 22nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: H. Briggs (conductor) 1, George Wood 2, N. Walker 3, C. Brown 4, C. Briggs 5, H. Webb 6, F. H. Dexter 7, W. Jones 8.

**TRIUMPH FOR BRITISH BELL FOUNDING.**

FIFTY-SIX BELLS FOR WASHINGTON.

The Loughborough Bell Foundry, it is reported, is to make a carillon of 56 bells—the heaviest and finest of its kind in the world—for the War Memorial at Washington, U.S.A. The bells are to be placed in a tower 500 feet high. This is a great triumph for British bell founding.

The 'Morning Post' says: 'The idea of installing keyboard carillons, on which music suitable for bells can be artistically interpreted, as war memorials is evidently catching on. The sum required for the Loughborough bell tower and carillon is already assured, and other towns, such as Spalding, are likely to follow this excellent example. A true carillon—not the aerial musical box grinding out airs which, much more often than not, are quite unsuited to bells—is manifestly the best means of recalling the service and self-sacrifice of our Glorious Dead since all who hear it must needs remember the warlike past, as Longfellow did when he listened at night to the famous Dumery bells at Bruges.'

America is also adopting this method of commemorating her fallen fighting men. The War Memorial at Washington, U.S.A., is to be a great building, of which the central feature will be a tower, not less than 500ft. in height, in which a carillon of 56 bells is to be installed with the most modern appliances for playing it. Except at Buffalo, where a set of 43 bells (of which only 20 are in use) exists, no keyboard carillon exists in the United States.'

**CARDIFF PEAL TABLET UNVEILED.**

An interesting little ceremony took place in the Ringing Chamber of St. John's, Cardiff, on Thursday, March 4th, when the Vicar of the Parish, the Rev. M. J. Powell, D.D., with the two churchwardens, Dr. H. E. Skyring and Mr. F. Fordsdike, together with their wives, attended for the purpose of unveiling a peal board recording the fact that a peal of Grandsire Caters was rung on the bells on December 27th last by members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association. Prior to the unveiling, it being practice night, various touches were rung.

The Hon. Secretary said a few words in reference to the peal, mentioning that it was one which really deserved recording for more than one reason, the peal itself being beautifully struck, and, as was mentioned on the board, it was rung for two reasons—one, that it was a birthday peal for the veteran, Mr. John Clutterbuck, one of the originators of the Association; and the other, that it was a peace peal for the city of Cardiff on the termination of the great European War.

After the unveiling, the Vicar made an excellent speech, and said he was most pleased that the peal was rung under such unique circumstances, and that it should be so worthily recorded.

Both the wardens said how pleased they were to be present. They were so impressed with the board that they propose having a duplicate of it, only in more substantial and lasting material, placed in the church so that all could see, and future generations would know what was done in the nature of ringing after the most terrible war in the history of the world.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

SOUTH WESTERN DIVISION.

A very successful meeting of the South Western Division was held at Hornchurch on Saturday week. Ringing took place in the afternoon, and service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Chas. Steer). Tea was partaken of at the King's Head, and was followed by the business meeting, which was presided over by the Vicar, supported by the District Master (Mr. W. Theobald).—The Hon. Secretary explained why the suggested by-meeting fixed for Barking was not held. One new honorary member and twelve ringing members were elected, nine of whom belong to the newly-formed Hornchurch band, who are making splendid progress under the able tuition of Messrs. Chaplin, Dale and Watson.

Chigwell Row was selected for the next meeting due to be held in May.—The meeting concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for granting permission for the meeting, and to Mr. Dale, the steeplekeeper, for having everything in readiness. The majority of those present again returned to the tower.

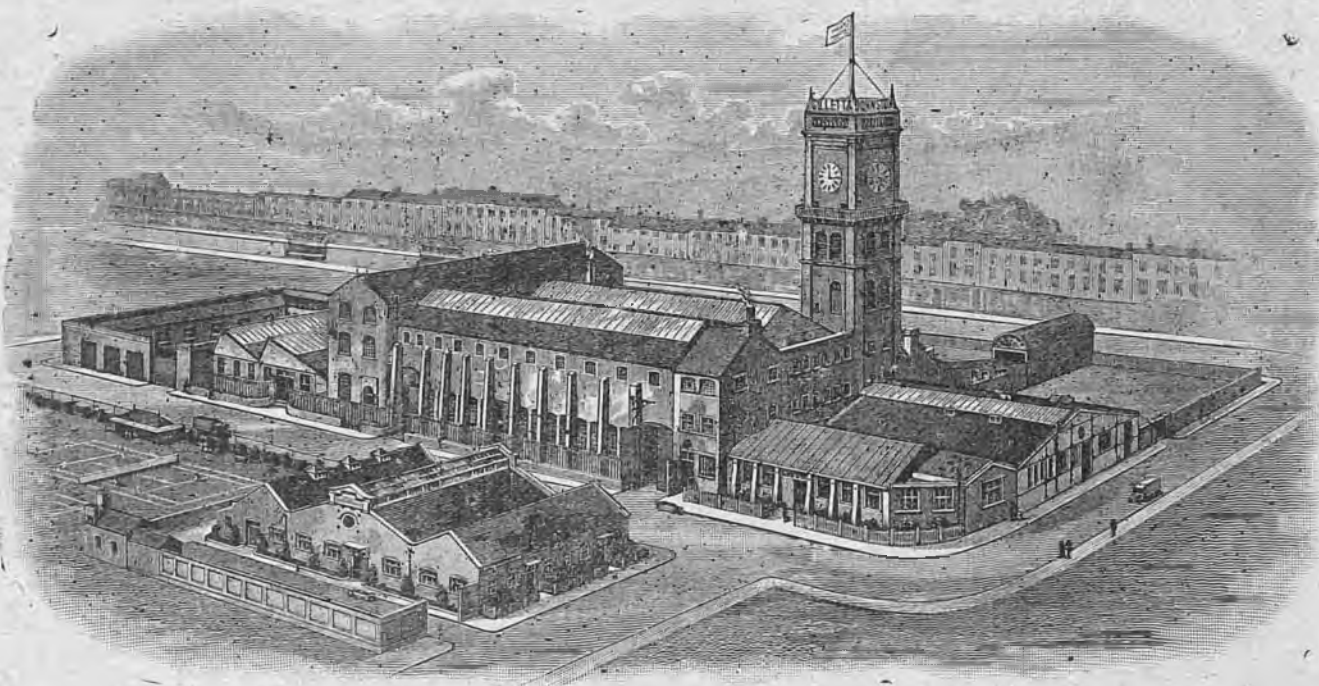
A feature of one of the touches was that four of the oldest members of the association took part, viz.: Messrs. W. Doran, T. Cranfield, J. Wagborn, senr., and A. J. Perkins, whose combined ages totalled over 280 years. During the afternoon, between 30 and 40 members were present, 36 partaking of tea, and the touches in various methods ranged from Grandsire to London Surprise. In the opinion of some of the oldest of those present, it was voted the best meeting for the S.W. District that has been held for a great number of years.

Amongst the towers represented were: Barking, Dagenham, Romford, Little Bentley, West Ham, Leytonstone and Hornchurch, together with several non-resident life members from various parts.

LONG STANTON.—On Monday, Feb. 9th, at All Saints' Church, a date touch of Bob Minor (1920 changes) on the back six, in 66 mins.: L. Cook 1, E. J. Cook 2, J. B. Woolley 3, Rev. H. B. Woolley 4, Geo. Crisp 5, C. W. Cook (conductor) 6. First date touch in the tower by No. 3; first date touch by the next. Longest length as conductor.

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**THE CROYDON  
BELL FOUNDRY  
1920.**

## THE LONG TEN.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I have read with interest the letters from your correspondents, Messrs. Jerram and Fuller. Both are right. The Exercise is not confined to one 10, but I would remind Mr. Fuller the go off a Grandsire Doubles 21354 follows his 12534 quite nicely.

I commenced my ringing career at Harby, Leicestershire, in 1887. One member of the band possessed a copy of Troyte's 'Change Ringing,' which among other useful information treats extensively of Grandsire Doubles.

Change ringing proper was quite beyond our ability. At least, so we thought. It meant study and hard work, and grave doubts were entertained as to whether it was practised anywhere, as laid down by Mr. Troyte, on account of its intricacy, so each man stuck to his own bell, and learnt by heart the bells he had to follow in the first ten of Grandsire Doubles, and kept on ringing them over and over again until the captain thought ringers and public had had enough. Then he called them round (after the treble had led) at hand stroke, the tenor having to jump two places, but that was a mere detail. By the way, the captain always rang the treble, then he knew when he had led.

About this time a neighbouring village band paid us a visit and rang a different ten, which ran into rounds every 10th change or so, when the captain—on the treble, of course—called 'Bob.' We were jealous of his 'bob'—we hadn't got one, but we scorned a ten with rounds in it, so stuck to our own.

The next step was to learn the 30 (plain course). This took an awful lot of doing, as it was impossible to put anyone right once they struck after the wrong bell, which caused much heated argument, and sometimes loss of temper, and was the cause of losing more than one promising ringer.

After much practice, we learnt to do it fairly confidently, and used to ring the ten nine times, then the 30 to finish up with—120. We got on so well we could ring the 30 four times over, equalling 120—same thing, but much more difficult.

We were quite cock of the district, and thought we had attained about the last word in change ringing, when, lo! one fine day Mr. W. B. White came along with a party from Cotgrave, Notts, and took the wind out of our sails properly.

They rang real 120's, with real bobs and singles. At least, Mr. White said they did, and we were inclined to believe him, because, although he rang the treble, he didn't call them out so often as the other captain had done, and the bells didn't run into rounds every time. Then, when ringing had finished, and we were talking things over in the village tavern he spoilt it all by saying Grandsire wasn't the only method they had rung—they had rung 120's of Canterbury and Plain Bob as well. Well, that did it! Some believed him, but the majority voted him a bigger fraud than the other chap, and said it was nothing more than a new kind of ten (or 30 at the most), that we didn't know of. It was utterly impossible for mere man to do what they said they had done. How could they remember them all?—and in different order, too! Pshaw, all bosh! But there was no getting away from the fact that White's men knew more about ringing than we did, because some of them stood in with us and rang our 10 and 30 as well as we could do it ourselves, but we couldn't ring theirs, so they took a bit of conceit out of us. In the subsequent controversy as to whether they did, or did not ring real 120's, opinions differed to such an extent that our band was completely smashed up. Some never rang again, and others, including myself, did not touch a bell rope for more than two years.

About that time, the Rev. O. H. Lacon was secretary of the Framland (N. Leicestershire) Ringing Society, and he arranged with Mr. W. Willson, of Leicester, to give a course of lessons throughout the district at churches with not less than five bells. A new band was formed out of the relics of the old, with some new blood added, and under Mr. Willson's tuition rapid progress was made. Within a year he called a peal of Minor in three methods, with five of his Framland pupils completing the band.

The seeds he sowed have borne fruit. Change ringing flourishes in every tower he visited, and has been handed on to many others, both within and over the county border.

My own serviceable band, which, alas! got so sadly knocked about in the war was entirely (if indirectly) due to Mr. Willson's excellent teaching in the early 90's.

In recalling these memories of the past, one incident makes me feel rather uncomfortable. I wonder if any of the Harby ringers have had the politeness to apologise to Mr. White for doubting him about those Bobs and Singles?

P.S.—Although we treated Mr. Fuller's 'Long Ten' with disdain in the past, I always use it now to break youngsters in, but there is no doubt the other (Grandsire) is THE Long Ten—it has no ending.

J. J. JACKSON,

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THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading will in future be at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Estab. 1755).—The 32nd Annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at The Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, March 27th, at 6 o'clock, when the chair will be taken by Canon E. Grose Hodge, M.A., Rector of Birmingham. Tickets free to fully qualified members, to other members and friends, 4s. 6d. each. Only those applications accompanied by remittance will receive attention. It is also necessary for every full member to be clear on the books not later than Saturday, March 20th. The bells of St. Martin's (12) and the Cathedral (10) will be available from 3 to 5.15.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms, Hatfield, Dis. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—The early Spring meeting of the above will be held at Deal on Saturday, March 13th. Bells at Deal and Walmer available for ringing. Service at St. Leonard's, Deal, conducted by the Rector at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting after.—Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Church Kirk on Saturday, March 13th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the Western District will be held at Birstall on Saturday, March 13th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 until 9 p.m. Short service in church 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 in Boys' School. business meeting afterwards.—P. L. Cooper, Hon. District Sec., 12, Willoughby Avenue, Holbeck.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Ranmoor, Sheffield, on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5.—Arthur Hague, Dis. Sec., 16, Gods'one Rd., Rotherham.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, March 13th. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown St., Harrow.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Henbury on Saturday, March 13th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30, tea at 5 p.m.—P. C. Williams, Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Crosby on Satur-



day, March 13th. Bells ready at 4; meeting 5.30.—Rev. E. C. Collier and Walter Hughes, Hon. Secs.

#### SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—A special meeting on finance will be held at the King of Denmark, after practice at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, on Saturday, March 13th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

#### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—

Estab. 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on March 18th; and \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 23rd. All at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society). Estab. 1824.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, March 20th, at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomsbury, W.C. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Pickering, North Yorks, on Saturday, March 20th, for the purpose of re-organising the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association, and all towers interested are hereby invited to send delegates to that meeting. Tea will be provided at 5 p.m. for which a small charge will be made. All applications for tea must reach Miss A. L. Henderson, 'Mayfield,' Pickering, not later than first post on Tuesday, March 16th.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec. (*pro tem.* Yorkshire Association), 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A monthly meeting will be held at Whitnash on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (6) available from 3.30 p.m.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Kingston-on-Thames on Saturday, the 20th March. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in the church at 4.30. Tea in Parish Room at 5.30. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me?—Chas. Dean, 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District.—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at St. Saviour's, Leicester, on Saturday, March 20th. Ringing from 2.30; business meeting 5 p.m.—H. E. Norman, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—A combined practice for Surprise Methods only will be held at Hurst on Saturday, March 20th, from 4.30 until 8.30 p.m. A good attendance is desired.—R. T. Hibbert, General Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Tarleton on March 27th. Bells available from 3; meeting at 5.30. Nearest railway station, Hesketh Bank. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Armley on Saturday, March 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. for the purpose of nomination of officers for the ensuing year. Will all members try and attend?—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The annual general meeting will be held at Nottingham on Easter Monday, April 5th, to receive officers' report, treasurer's accounts, and for the election of officers for the ensuing year. Under Rule 7, nominations for the various positions must reach me one month before the meeting. Further particulars of meeting later.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—A general meeting will be held at Stowmarket on Easter Monday, April 5th, 1920. The President, the Very Reverend the Dean of Norwich, in the chair. The ring of eight bells of the Parish Church and the ring of six bells at Great Finborough will be available for the use of members. Committee meeting will be held at the King's Head Hotel at 12 o'clock noon, and the general meeting at 2.30 p.m. District Secretaries are kindly requested to bring this notice before their members in view of the important business to be transacted at the general meeting. Dinner will be served at the King's Head Hotel at 1.30 p.m. It is earnestly requested that all members intending to be present at the dinner will notify the same to the Secretary by Wednesday, March 31st, 1920.—Arthur L. Coleman, Secretary, "High Croft," North Walsham.

#### SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—A dinner will be held on Saturday, 1st May, 1920, at the Bell, Holborn. Tickets, 8/6 each. Will members intending to be present please notify me at once?—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., School House, Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

#### SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—

Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. HENRY WHITE.—The Basingstoke Combined Society (St. Michael's and All Saints') respectfully invite contributions towards a fund being raised to erect a suitable memorial in recognition of the sterling work of the late Mr. Henry White, who for upwards of 30 years was Sexton and Captain of ringers at St. Michael's, a leading conductor and Hon. Auditor of the Winchester Diocesan Guild and one of its representatives on the Central Council from its formation. Contributions will be gratefully received and acknowledged by Mr. Councillor Wyeth (Churchwarden), 17, New Street, Basingstoke.

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A very successful and enjoyable monthly meeting of the Warwickshire Guild was held at Allesley. Nineteen members and friends were present from Allesley, Coventry and Knowle. Touches of Doubles and Minor were rung, and at the service the Guild's form was said. Tea was kindly provided by the Rector (the Rev. A. D. Perrott), and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to him for the use of the bells, and for his hospitality. The tower was again visited, and touches of Kent Treble Bob and Bob Minor and Grandsire Doubles were rung.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
NEW SECRETARY OF CHEW DEANERY BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of the Chew Deanery Branch of the Bath and Wells Association took place at Long Ashton, over 50 members attending from Barrow Gurney, Chew Magna, Clapton, Easton-in-Gordano, Portishead, Wraxall, Wrington, Tickenham, Yatton, Taunton and Bristol. Service was held in the church, the Association's special form being used, and an excellent address was given by the Vicar (the Rev. J. E. Varley). Tea was provided at the Church House.

The business meeting followed, presided over by the Rev. J. E. Varley. The chairman, Mr. Thomas Wyatt, was re-elected, but the hon. secretary, Mr. George Yeo, had given notice at a previous meeting that he thought that it was time for him to retire in favour of someone else, as he had held the post for 17 years, and during that time had not missed a single meeting.

Although again pressed to remain on another year it was of no avail, and the members then thought that the next best thing was to have Mr. Yeo's son, and Mr. Percy G. Yeo was unanimously elected hon. secretary and treasurer.

The vice-chairman, Mr. W. Gillingham, and Mr. G. G. Court were unanimously re-elected.—Nine new members were elected, and Yatton was chosen for the place of next meeting.

Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar for presiding, and for the use of bells, to the organist, to the ladies for providing the tea, and to the retiring hon. secretary for his past services.—The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening.

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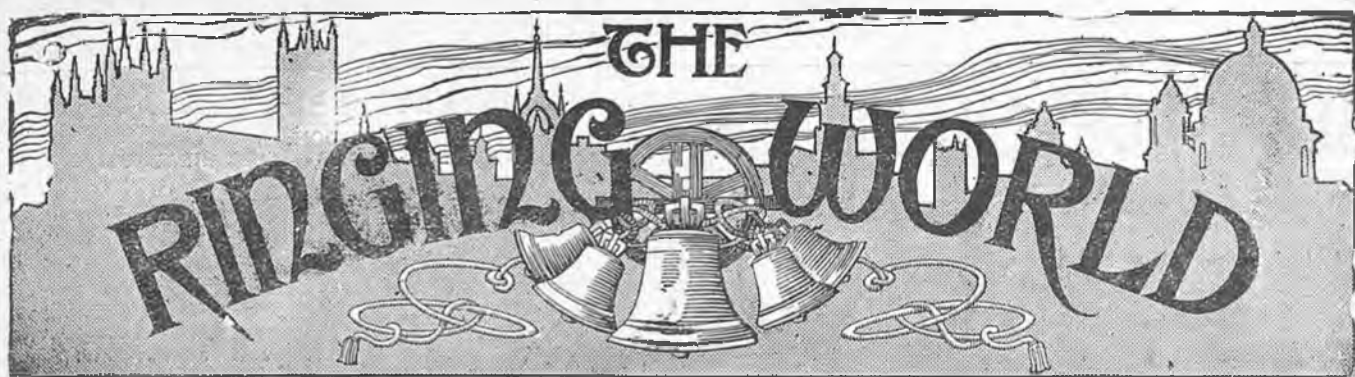
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## KEEPING TOUCH.

A very useful and quite practical suggestion was put forward by a correspondent in our last issue on the subject of keeping touch with young ringers who migrate from their native towers. How often is it lamented that when a promising beginner has been brought on, force of circumstances has taken him away from the tower where he learnt to ring a bell! He has been lost, not only to his parent belfry, but to the Exercise, for lack of machinery to keep him in touch with ringing when he has moved from one village or town to another. There are many reasons which may deter a young ringer from going into a strange belfry, for he has not had the opportunity of realising the spirit of fraternity that exists among the members of the Exercise and the welcome which would await him—in most towers.

How best to introduce him to the new circle is a question which may find many answers. Some may say that if the man is worth his salt as a ringer he will find his own way to the belfry; but among those who take up the art are men who, conscious of shortcomings in their qualifications, would have a reluctance to enter a strange belfry. Yet, with encouragement, they might be capable of development into valuable additions to the Exercise. It is the first introduction to the new tower that is the necessary link for the continuation of the beginner's ringing career, and it ought not to be difficult to suggest some simple machinery by which this could be secured. If the invitation, as our correspondent suggested, could come from the tower nearest to which the stranger has gone to reside, it would give a greater feeling of welcome and comradeship than if the advances were made from the opposite side, and for that reason the method put forward by Mr. Bennett is a good one.

There might be objections to the publication of a book of names and addresses of secretaries by the Central Council, inasmuch as this would rapidly get out of date with the frequent changes that are made, but it might be possible to get some leisured member to undertake to keep an up-to-date list, and to forward information of removals to the right quarters. Or again, such a thing might be possible by being passed directly through the General Secretaries of Associations. Anyhow, the method, as long as it is efficient, matters little; what is wanted is someone to take the initiative in setting up a workable scheme by which migrating ringers—and it is particularly the young ringer that has to be catered for, because the old ringer will always seek out the belfry wherever he goes—can be retained in the Exercise, and thus save the wastage of much good material.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CORNHILL,

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On Saturday, December 27, 1919, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 23½ cwt.	
JAMES BUTLER ... .. Treble	VICTOR BENNETT ... 5
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ERNEST A. BUTLER ... 3	JAMES S. NAPPER ... 7
WILLIAM J. E. NAPPER ... 4	WILLIAM GOODENOUGH ... Tenor

Conducted by T. EAST.

\* First peal.

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**GODALMING, SURREY.**

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.	
WILLIAM MONEY ... .. Treble	CHARLES CHILDS ... 5
*VICTOR H. SMITH ... .. 2	ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ... 6
WILLIAM HOOKER ... .. 3	WILLIAM G. FOWLER ... 7
CHARLES BISH ... .. 4	ROBERT PAMMENT ... Tenor

Conducted by A. J. BARTLETT

\* First peal inside. The ringer of 6 hails from Chiddingfold, 7 from Puttenham, the rest belong to the local band.



## PENKRIDGE, STAFFS.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

*JOSEPH PLANT, JUN. ... .. 2	†JOHN WARRILOW ... .. 5
†FRED BIRKS... .. 2	JOHN PERRY ... .. 6
HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 3	JOHN J. TAYLOR... .. 7
EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... 4	*EDMUND WESTWOOD... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

\* First peal. † First peal on eight. Rung to commemorate the signing of Peace. At the conclusion of the peal the band were congratulated by the Vicar and Wardens, to whom thanks are due for their hospitality. The Vicar has kindly offered to erect a board recording the peal.

## LENTON, NOTTINGHAM.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5312 CHANGES;

Tenor 8½ cwt.

SAMUEL WESLEY ... .. Treble	JESSE J. MOSS ... .. 5
ALBERT COPPOCK ... .. 2	J. CHARLES DICKEN ... .. 6
FRED S. PRICE ... .. 3	JOHN FLINT ... .. 7
THOMAS BETTISON ... .. 4	PERCIVAL PRICE ... .. Tenor

Composed by EDGAR SHEPHERD.

Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

First in the method on the bells and in the City of Nottingham.

## SILVERDALE, STAFFS.

## THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

MISS ALICE WHELDON ... Treble	C. PRESTON ... .. 5
G. BLOOR ... .. 2	E. LANDON ... .. 6
W. WHELDON ... .. 3	C. H. PAGE... .. 7
C. MORLEY ... .. 4	*H. MYATT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. H. PAGE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to C. Preston and was his first peal in the method. G. Bloor's first peal inside and the first eight-bell peal that a lady has taken part in for this Association. Rung at the first attempt. The ringers of the treble, 3rd and 5th hail from Bucknall, the 4th from Newcastle-under-Lyme, 2nd, 6th and 7th from Stoke and the tenor from Silverdale. \* First peal.

## LONDON.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH, CUBITT TOWN,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. Treble	JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. 5
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 7
GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## RAINFHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E.

RICKS PAINE... .. Treble	CHARLES WINNER ... .. 5
EDWARD A. G. ALLEN ... 2	WILLIAM J. WALKER... .. 6
WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 3	WILLIAM HAIGH ... .. 7
FRANK BELSEY ... .. 4	CHARLES BELSEY... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. HAIGH.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## STAPLEHURST, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... Treble	WILLIAM WENHAM ... .. 5
CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 2	CHARLES H. SONE ... .. 6
*LEONARD MANNERING ... 3	THOMAS E. SONE ... .. 7
SERG. G. GILBERT, R.E. 4	PHILLIP HODGKIN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by T. E. SONE.

\* First peal with a bob bell in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Sergt. Gilbert's 50th peal. He was made a member before starting for the peal. This peal was composed on the Rhine while with the Army of Occupation, and is believed to be the first peal rung that was 'made in Germany.'

## HENFIELD, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(HENFIELD BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, February 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. PERCIVAL HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

ALBERT E. BAKER ... .. Treble	ALFRED BAIGENT ... .. 5
*FREDERICK PARSONS ... 2	WILLIAM J. ALLISS ... .. 6
GEORGE PAYNE ... .. 3	LAZARUS PAYNE ... .. 7
ERNEST LISH ... .. 4	CHARLES TYLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LAZARUS PAYNE.

\* First peal. This peal was rung half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Bishop of Lewes.

## APPLEDORE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.)

On Tuesday, February 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REEVES'

*LUTHER HONESS ... .. Treble	GEORGE KENWARD ... .. 5
CHAS. W. PLAYER ... .. 2	FREDK. G. BURT... .. 6
ALFRED JOHNSON ... .. 3	CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 7
FREDK. G. BURDEN ... .. 4	GEORGE JOHNSON... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHAS. W. PLAYER.

\* First peal away from tenor. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect and esteem to the late Rev. V. L. Batson, Vicar of Brookland, who was a member of the Association and a ringers' friend.

## LONDON.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Thursday, February 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, STRATFORD-BOW,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT LANGDON ... .. Treble	ALBERT A. HUGHES ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	EMMANUEL HALL ... .. 6
CHARLES S. BURDEN ... .. 3	ALAN R. MACDONALD ... 7
JAMES SCHOLES ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

## SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS-THE-MARTYR,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE S. TAYLOR ... .. Treble	*ROBERT WALKER ... .. 5
THOMAS H. NAISBY ... .. 2	JOSEPH W. PARKER ... .. 6
JAMES AYERS ... .. 3	ROBERT L. PATTERSON ... 7
MICHAEL F. HARRISON ... 4	HAROLD B. DITCHBURN ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Rung to celebrate the 7th anniversary of the augmentation of the bells and as a birthday compliment to Mr. R. L. Patterson.

\* First peal.

**BRISTOL.**  
**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
**ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.**  
 (BRISTOL BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 28 cwt.  
 CHARLES J. WALTON ... *Treble* | ARTHUR T. WALLACE ... 5  
 \*ERNEST DIBBEN ... 2 | ARTHUR W. SEVIOUR... 6  
 EDGAR GUISE ... 3 | GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. ... 7  
 WILLIAM LEWIS ... 4 | HENRY T. WAY ... *Tenor*

Conducted by EDGAR GUISE.

\* First peal with a bob bell and rung at first attempt. Rung after meeting short for Caters.

**HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' VARIATION. Tenor 11 cwt.  
 REV. FRED J. O. HELMORE ... *Treble* | EDWIN G. BUESDEN ... 5  
 HENRY G. FAIRBRASS... 2 | CHARLES W. BRETT ... 6  
 ARTHUR A. ANDREWS... 3 | FREDERICK G. BRETT ... 7  
 PERCY J. PAINE ... 4 | GEORGE G. JENKINS ... *Tenor*

Conducted by EDWIN G. BUESDEN.

Rung to welcome the new Rector, Rev. C. Stonehouse, whose induction took place on Feb. 26th, also in honour of F. G. Brett's birthday.

**EYNSFORD, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.  
 ISAAC EMERY ... *Treble* | ALBERT BATES ... 5  
 THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 2 | EDWIN G. BATES ... 6  
 HERBERT ANDSLEY ... 3 | GEORGE DURLING ... 7  
 WALTER SMITH ... 4 | EDWARD BROWN ... *Tenor*

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE.

The ringers of 3, 5, 6 and 8 belong to the Dartford company, and it was their first peal in the method.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,*  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.  
 JAMES HEASMAN ... *Treble* | WILLIAM LATHER ... 5  
 ALBERT BELTON ... 2 | HARRY HARRINGTON ... 6  
 GEORGE H. STONESTREET... 3 | FREDERICK WHITE ... 7  
 WILLIAM STEED ... 4 | HERBERT MARKWELL... *Tenor*

Composed by H. PRICE.

Conducted by JAMES HEASMAN.

This composition was published in the 'Ringing World' of March 8th, 1918.

**SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**

*On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, BOLSTERSTONE,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.  
 JOHN R. BREARLEY ... *Treble* | \*HAYDN THORPE ... 5  
 DAVID BREARLEY ... 2 | JAMES H. CHARLESWORTH 6  
 SAMUEL HARRISON ... 3 | JOHN THORPE ... 7  
 ARCHIE BREARLEY ... 4 | WILLIAM HARRISON ... *Tenor*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by JOHN THORPE.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

**LAMBERHURST, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Double Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720's of Plain Bob.

FREDERICK FOREMAN ... <i>Treble</i>	GEORGE FULLER ... 4
HARRY J. LAMBERT ... 2	JAMES WAGHORN... 5
HARRY PRICE ... 3	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, SEN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to F. J. Lambert.

**WAVERTON, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Three Hours,*  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 9 cwt.

*WM. SAMBLES ... <i>Treble</i>	WALTER THOMAS ... 4
JOHN DUNNING ... 2	*WILLIAM CLARKE ... 5
†JOHN THOMAS ... 3	ALBERT E. RICHARDS <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by ALBERT E. RICHARDS.

\* First peal. † First peal away from treble. Ringers of 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 hail from Aldford, 4 from Chisleton.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

**CAMBRIDGE.**

**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**

*On Saturday, February 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,*  
 IN TRINITY COLLEGE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

J. BUTLER (Fitzwilliam Hall) 1-2	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY (Trin.) 3-4	B. F. SHEPPARD (Trin.) 7-8

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

First peal of Major as conductor.

**LONDON.**  
**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sunday, February 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,*  
 AT 49, WOOD STREET, WALTHAMSTOW,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5029 CHANCES;**

JOHN THOMAS ... 1-2	GEORGE R. PYE... 5-6
WILLIAM PYE ... 3-4	*EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... 7-8
CHARLES T. COLES ... 9-10	

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpire: H. T. SCARLETT.

\* First peal on handbells.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**  
**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sunday, February 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,*  
 AT 21, WARLEIGH ROAD,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 16 size in B flat.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... 1-2	CAPT. J. R. MACKMAN ... 5-6
FRANK I. HAIRS ... 3-4	FRANK BENNETT... 7-8

Composed by CHARLES H. MARTIN.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

This is believed to be the first peal of Major on handbells by the Association.

**LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Feb. 7th an attempt was made for Washbrook Variation of Thurstans' Four-Part peal of Stedman Triples, but unfortunately, after ringing 2 hrs. 20 mins., it came to grief in the 49th course: A. R. Hickton 1, F. Price 2, Miss Hilda F. Willson 3, J. Price 4, \*T. H. Kirkby 5, \*T. Hutchinson 6, J. Bailey 7, \*F. Wallace 8. \* Longest length in the method.

ARMLEY, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Six Minutes,  
At 10, MITFORD ROAD,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

\*MISS OLIVE L. LUMLEY... 1-2 | GERALD MOORHOUSE ... 5-6  
JOHN W. MOORHOUSE ... 3-4 | MALCOLM MOORHOUSE ... 7-8

Composed by G. WILLIAMS.

Conducted by JOHN W. MOORHOUSE.

\* First peal off the tenors.

LEEDS, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, February 25, 1920, in Two Hours and One Minute,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

JAMES R. KAMP ... 1-2 | WILLIAM BARTON ... 5-6  
PERCY J. JOHNSON ... 3-4 | JOHN AMBLER ... 7-8

Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

Attested by GEORGE A. JOWETT.

First peal of Triples by the ringers of 5-6 and 7-8.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD,  
(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY-)

On Thursday, February 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

At KING EDWARD VI. GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 18 in G.

ALFRED H. POLLING ... 1-2 | \*LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... 5-6  
MAURICE SMITHER ... 3-4 | GEORGE W. STEERE ... 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Witness: MRS. POLLING.

\* First peal on an inside pair. The conductor's 500th peal.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, February 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE MATTERS, 5057 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

ALBERT WALKER ... 1-2 | GEORGE F. SWANN ... 5-6  
FRANK W. PERRENS ... 3-4 | J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... 7-8  
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... 9-10

Composed by MORRIS J. MORRIS.

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

FAKENHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At THE RESIDENCE OF MR. J. GODFREY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

ARTHUR DYE ... 1 | \*GEORGE COOKE ... 4  
CECIL V. EBBERSON ... 2 | CHARLES WYBROW ... 5  
JOHN A. GODFREY ... 3 | ROBERT W. COOKE ... 6  
WILLIAM E. BASON ... 7-8

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by WILLIAM E. BASON.

\* First peal. First peal on handbells by all the band.

ORSETT, ESSEX.—At St. Giles' and All Saints' Church, on Sunday, Feb. 1st, 720 of Grandsire Doubles: B. Harrod 1, W. Harrod 2, H. Joslin 3, H. Chinnery 4, A. Keeling 5, J. O. Bridge 6, W. Halls, D. Howell, A. Howell, S. Howell, W. Wade, A. Wade, G. Duce, W. Hawkins, F. Birch, A. Cowell, A. Keeling and H. Chinnery. Muffled touches were also rung on the following Sunday morning for the memorial service. The bells at Stamford are in perfect going order. They were made and fitted in the tower by the late firm of Moore, Holmes and Mackenzie, of Harleston, Norfolk, whose bells are seldom to be met with.

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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

Forty new members were elected at the first meeting of the Eastern Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, held since the year 1914. The meeting took place at Sibsey, and the Vicar (the Rev. Camplion Cogan) was elected president of the branch; Mr. T. Haud (Sibsey), hon. treas.; and Mr. J. W. Larkin, seur. (Bennington), hon. secretary.

On his 82nd birthday, on Feb. 28th, young 'Ted' Horrex rang the treble to a peal of Treble Twelve at St. Michael's, Cornhill. Hats off to the Father of the College Youths.

The Royal Cumberlands are reviving their annual dinner. The gathering will be held on May Day, and those who intend to be present should at once notify the hon. secretary.

Mr. Arthur T. Morris has tapped yet another peal of Grandsire Triples on handbells—this time for the Norwich Association. It is truly a great performance, for the concentration of thought that is necessary for the task is immense.

Good wishes went out from all the band to Mr. James Barracough, of Huddersfield, who celebrated his 72nd birthday by ringing his 100th peal. This was at Birstall, on February 29th, his first peal having been rung in the same tower nearly 53 years ago.

### SURPRISE METHODS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—In reply to the Rev. E. S. Powell's letter in last week's issue of the 'Ringing World,' please allow me to point out with regard to the publication of the 'Collection of Legitimate Methods' that I was not on the committee when that collection was published in 1907, and my name ought not to have been placed on the list of committeemen at all. Further, I did not agree even then to all the methods in that collection, and did not sign it.

Again Mr. Powell says that 'among these methods are several denominated Surprise which have no internal places either at the treble's full lead or lie,' but if he will turn to the preface, article 6 (methods founded on Principles), he will find this statement: 'Surprise Methods, having places made at all cross section,' and it is this for which I am standing.

Again, twenty-one methods (Numbers 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 15, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27, 29, 30, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 40), denominated Surprise on Pages 31—40, are not Surprise at all. They should have been put in with Delight Methods.

I marked these when I received the Collection in 1907, and have held this attitude all through, so that there has not been any change of mind at all.

May I further say that Snowdon's 'Standard Methods' is the best book for Surprise Methods?—Yours truly,  
JOHN CARTER.

### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

#### ROCHESTER DISTRICT AND ANNUAL COUNTY MEETING.

A quarterly meeting of the Rochester District was held at Swanscombe on Saturday, March 6th, and, in spite of the heavy rain, over 50 members attended. A short service was held, the Rector of Swanscombe (the Rev. Campbell-Ward, an hon. member of the Association) officiating, the organist also being in attendance. A collection on behalf of the Kent Ringers' War Memorial realised £1 0s. 6d. After service, the Rector and Mrs. Ward entertained the ringers to an excellent tea in the Parish Room, which was much appreciated.

The business meeting followed presided over by the Rector, who welcomed the Association to Swanscombe. He said it gave Mrs. Ward and himself great pleasure to entertain them all to tea, and assured them that a future visit would be appreciated.

A proposition was unanimously carried: 'That the decision of the Central Committee altering the date of the annual meeting from Whit-Monday to Easter Monday be referred back for further consideration,' and the district secretary was ordered to have this matter placed on the agenda at the annual meeting.

It was further recommended that it be brought forward that all annual meetings of the Central Council be attended by at least two of the county's representatives.

It was also decided that in the event of there being an election of representatives this year, Mr. W. Haigh should be nominated from the Rochester district as a candidate.

Twenty-eight new practising members, and two non-resident life members were elected, and the towers of Cobham and Hartlip again brought into union.

The next quarterly meeting was fixed for Cliffe on the first Saturday in June.

Mr. W. Haigh proposed that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to the Rev. and Mrs. Campbell-Ward for the excellent tea they had provided, to the Rector for the use of the bells, and for his address at the service; to the organist, and to Mr. and Mrs. W. Harper for their valued help.

The Rector suitably responded, and after a course of Triples on the handbells the tower was again visited. Fourteen towers in the district were represented at the meeting.



**CENTRAL COUNCIL ARRANGEMENTS.***To the Editor.*

Sir,—It seems a pity that no one has taken up your suggestion of a sort of Club Room for the meetings of the Central Council, as it is a requirement which is much needed, and might much facilitate business. The chief difficulty would be, of course, the financial one. It would, however, be worth while adding to the subscription of members a sufficient sum to cover the cost.

There is another suggestion which would not have this objection: that is, that there should be official excursions arranged to places of interest near the town of meeting. These should be quite apart from any peal ringing arrangements, and should be subject to sufficient payments being sent in to a local secretary by a certain date. If the meeting were held on a Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning, the Tuesday morning and the Wednesday afternoon might be given up to excursions.

No one has a word to say in defence of the present date. As, including this letter, the date has been questioned four times in your columns, may we assume that it really suits no one? And as no one has raised any objection to my suggestion of a fortnight later, that that would suit everyone?

Not only is Whitsunweek an awkward time for church officials to be away, but it is a time when most Associations hold meetings, at which members of the Council ought to be present. If my memory is correct, for some time after the Council was started, few or no Associations did this. Now that the practice has changed, it makes it difficult to decide which one should attend. In order to attend both, one distinguished member of the Council travelled all night last year. This was not possible for our two representatives, and our absence from our own Association's meeting was most unfortunate, as it happened. In this case, instead of the Central Council helping, it has harmed the Association.

Uford Rectory.

HERBERT DRAKE.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the South and West District was held at Hillingdon on Saturday last. Among those present were Misses N. G. Williams, Feltham, Gorham, Carrick, Jones, Messrs. C. S. Bird, T. Beadle, W. Hewitt, A. R. Macdonald, W. Lawrence, H. C. Chandler, I. Emery, G. R. Fardon, Robert Holloway, J. J. Pratt, E. H. Pike, etc.

The bells were used to full advantage in Triples, Caters and Royal and during the repairing of a rope the handbells were brought into use to Triples and Caters.

A pleasing and interesting event took place, when the Vicar entered the belfry and dedicated two peal boards, one containing the peal of July 19th last, and the other those rung since 1915, with room for many yet to be rung.

A service in church followed, conducted by the curate, who was assisted by the organist and choir, the hymns sung being 'We love the place, O God,' and 'Hark! hark! my soul.'

A splendid tea, arranged and served by Miss Williams and lady friends, preceded an interesting business meeting, which was presided over by the Master, Mr. C. S. Bird. Mr. E. H. Pike, of Rixmansworth, was elected a member. St. Mary's, Ealing, was suggested for the next meeting.

Mr. Fussell, in a few words, welcomed the new Master, and paid a compliment to his predecessor. Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar, Curate, organist, choir, Mr. Pratt, and the local ringers, for all they had done to assure a successful meeting.

A discussion took place with reference to the 'Ringing world,' and will be dealt with in our next issue.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****NORTH BUCKS BRANCH MEETING.**

A quarterly meeting of the North Bucks Branch was held at Newport Pagnell, on Saturday, March 6th, when about 40 ringers attended from Bleckley, Chicheley, Emberton, Stony Stratford, Olney, Calverton, North Crawley, and the local tower, while a very pleasant surprise was sprung upon the ringers by the appearance of the Master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkin), who came unexpectedly, but owing to the long distance before him, very reluctantly had to leave again before the service. A short address was, therefore, given by him in the belfry on the business of the Guild. The Vicar (the Rev. F. B. Gunnery) officiated at the service, and the President of the Branch (the Rev. J. R. Vincent, of Shenley) gave an interesting address. About 36 sat down to tea, arranged by the Rev. F. B. Gunnery, to whom and to the workers who assisted him thanks were proposed.

The methods rung during the meeting were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Superlative Surprise.

A few ringing friends from the Bedfordshire Association attended the gathering, which was one of the best meetings held since the conclusion of the war. It is hoped this is a sign that the branch will soon make headway and return to pre-war standard. One more tower, with seven ringing members, joined the branch.

**ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

At a special general meeting held on Saturday last, it was decided to increase the entrance fee to 5s. The rule with regard to steeples has also been amended. Threepence is now charged at all practice meetings, and members must now make up their total payments under this head to 2s. for the year before being entitled to a vote at any business meeting.

The dinner on May 1st, at the Old Bell, Holborn, will be at 6 p.m. Ringing will be arranged for the afternoon (to be announced later), and members (particularly country) are requested to make early application for tickets.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A district meeting of the Canterbury District was held at St. Leonard's, Upper Deal, on Saturday last. Thirty-two members, including local men, attended. Some good ringing was done on the six at Deal and the eight at Walmer. The Rev. E. D. Bowser (Rector) conducted the service. Tea was provided in the Parish Room, after which the business was transacted. Eighteen practising members were elected. The Revs. E. D. Bowser (Deal), B. W. Chancellor, and F. L. Gower (Wickhambreux) were elected hon. members. The towers of Walmer and Teynham were added to the list of towers in union with the Association.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.****SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT DORKING.**

A quarterly meeting of the Southern Branch was held at Dorking on March 6th, between 30 and 40 ringers attending during the afternoon and evening. Among the visitors were the Rev. E. Bankes James and four of his pupils, including 'It' of handbell fame. Tea was partaken of in the Churchroom.

At the short business meeting which followed, three new ringing members were elected from Chiddingfold. These young ladies reflect credit on their instructor, as it is only quite recently that they have taken up the art of change ringing.

The Hon. Secretary (Mrs. Hazelden) reported that a practice had been held at Ash, and another would, if convenient, be held at Atherstone the first Saturday after Easter.

Miss Parker sent her wishes for a successful meeting, and an invitation from Mr. Johnston for the Guild to visit Croydon. This was received with much pleasure.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the district at Chiddingfold in June.—A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, concluded the meeting.

Service was held in the beautiful chapel in St. Martin's Church, an address being given by the Vicar, and the two hymns 'mark! on high the joyful music,' and 'Lifted high within the steeple,' from the Ladies' Guild Service, were sung for the first time in the district. Ringing was resumed after the service.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

A quarterly meeting of the Yorktown District was held at Bagshot on Saturday, March 6th. Owing to the stormy weather, only 23 members put in an appearance, but four new members were elected.

The service was conducted by the Vicar, and the presence of the full choir was much appreciated. An excellent tea was provided at the residence of one of the ringers (Mr. F. Nye).—A vote of thanks to the local band, and to Mrs. Nye in particular, concluded the meeting. Ringing in various methods was enjoyed in the afternoon and evening.

On Wednesday, March 10th, after the induction, and to welcome the new Vicar of Bagshot (the Rev. Canon R. H. Stewart), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung by: G. Pearce 1, J. Corbett 2, H. Gould 3, H. Stapleton 4, F. Nye (conductor) 5, H. Chaffey 6, G. Miles 7, H. Berry 8.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.****'MEMORIAL WINDOW FUND.'**

It is proposed to close the above fund at an early date. Should there remain any members or friends who desire to subscribe to the fund, and who have not been asked, either personally or by letter, I shall be pleased to hear from them.

A. E. PARSONS,

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**A FIRST IN TWO METHODS.**

The Burslem ringers, with the assistance of two from Norton, have just scored their first 720 in two methods, viz., 360 of Oxford and 360 of Woodbine: J. Hurd 1, L. Pennington 2, W. Bourne 3, T. Hurd (conductor) 4, J. Walley 5, J. Royals 6.

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## RECRUITING THE RANKS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. A. Allen Bennett's suggestion is a most excellent one, which I believe is carried out in many branches of the C.E.M.S., when a member removes to another district.

In our tower we have two enthusiastic ringers, originally six-bell men. One attended morning and evening services for months, when, quite by accident, I heard he was a ringer, and at once approached him, and as a result he became attached to the tower. The other—a Metropolitan policeman—used to wander round the church on his beat on practice nights, but did not find his way up for some considerable time, until I got into touch with him. Now with some such means in force as Mr. Bennett suggests, these two ringing friends would not have been lost to the 'Exercise' so long, but would have been welcomed at once.—Yours truly,

ROBERT HOLLOWAY.

10, Summerlands Avenue, Acton, London, W.3.

## SUSSEX RINGER'S WEDDING.

The marriage of Mr. P. H. Doick, of Pulborough, Sussex, to Miss F. Harrington, of Croydon, took place at St. Saviour's Church, Croydon, on Wednesday, Feb. 11th. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. F. Harrington, of Anerley, and Mr. T. A. Doick, the bridegroom's brother, acted as best man. The ceremony was attended by many of the bride's friends, and among the bridegroom's ringer friends were Mrs. R. Whittington, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whittington, of Croydon. A reception was held at the bride's home, when Mr. and Mrs. Doick were the recipients of many telegraphic and verbal congratulations. The happy couple left for their home at Pulborough in the evening.

On arriving at the station, the bells of the Parish Church (where the bridegroom has been a ringer for many years) were ringing a merry peal.

In recognition of his services in the belfry, the ringers presented the bridegroom with a silver bell inkstand and a set of carvers in case. The Rector, organist and members of the choir also presented him with a silver teapot.

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. HARRY EVANS.

The Secretary of the Western Division of the Sussex County Association respectfully invite contributions towards a fund being raised to erect a suitable Memorial to the above-named ringer, who for 35 years was a member of the Association, and 14 years as Secretary for the Western Division. Contributions will be gratefully received and acknowledged by A. W. Groves, Hon. District Secretary, 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

## DATE TOUCHES.

At Selly Oak, on Sunday, January 18th, for evensong a date touch of Kent Treble Bob Major (1920 changes) was rung in 1 hr. and 14 mins., by: P. Luffin 1, J. Withers 2, E. J. Dowler 3, W. Dowler 4, E. Boylin 5, W. Ikin 6, S. Grove 7, H. Withers (composer and conductor) 8.

On Friday evening, Feb. 6th, at St. Margaret's Church, Ditchling, Sussex, a date touch of Plain Bob Minor (1920 changes) was rung in 1 hr. 5 mins.: W. Mayston 1, W. Herney 2, E. E. Bish (conductor) 3, G. Killick 4, J. Pierson 5, J. Fiast 6, W. Stenning 7; and on Friday, February 13th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 44 mins.: W. Stenning 1, H. Gravett 2, E. E. Bish 3, J. Fiast (conductor) 4, J. Pierson 5, G. Killick 6, T. Stringer 7, E. Berry 8.

At Woburn, Beds, on February 7th, 1920, in 55 minutes, a date touch of Kent Treble Bob Major (1920 changes) was rung on handbells: H. D. Harris (conductor) 1—2, L. Herbert 3—4, C. Herbert 5—6, D. Jones 7—8. On the 9th February, 1920, at St. Mary's Church, a date touch (1920 changes) of Bob Major was brought round in 1 hr 16 mins., by: W. Roberts 1, F. Gilby 2, D. Jones (conductor) 3, H. Fleet 4, C. Herbert 5, J. Chance 6, H. D. Harris 7, E. Herbert 8.

At Long Stanton, on Feb. 10th, in 1 hr. and 6 mins., a date touch of Bob Minor, two 720's and a 480 each called differently: L. Cook 1, F. J. Cook 2, J. B. Worley 3, Rev. H. B. Woolley 4, Geo. Crisp 5, C. W. Cook (conductor) 6. First date touch by all except No. 3, and longest length as conductor.

At Houghton Conquest (Beds), on Saturday, February 21st, a date touch of Minor (1920 changes) was rung, comprising 720 Oxford Bob and 1,200 Bob Minor, by the following ex-Service men: S. G. Harlow, B.I.Y., 1; H. L. Harlow, 5th Beds, 2; P. Inskip, R.E., 3; H. J. Harlow, R.E., 4; R. Kendall, R.D.F., 5; E. White (conductor), R.E., 6.

At West Deeping, Lincolnshire, Parish Church, for Confirmation service, on February 23rd, a date touch of Doubles: T. E. Henson 1, Ernest Wright 2, William Neal 3, J. H. Roden (conductor) 4, William Tilley 5. This date touch comprised two six-scores New Doubles, four of Plain Bob, two of St. Simon's, four of St. Dunstan's, four of Grand-

## NOTICES.

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ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Estab. 1755).—The 32nd Annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at The Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, March 27th, at 6 o'clock, when the chair will be taken by Canon E. Grose Hodge, M.A., Rector of Birmingham. Tickets free to fully qualified members, to other members and friends, 4s. 6d. each. Only those applications accompanied by remittance will receive attention. It is also necessary for every full member to be clear on the books not later than Saturday, March 20th. The bells of St. Martin's (12) and the Cathedral (10) will be available from 3 to 5.15.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Estab. 1637.—A meeting for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on March 23rd at 7.30 p.m. Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society). Estab. 1824.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, March 20th, at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomsbury, W.C. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Pickering, North Yorks, on Saturday, March 20th, for the purpose of re-organising the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association, and all towers interested are hereby invited to send delegates to that meeting. Tea will be provided at 5 p.m. for which a small charge will be made.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec. (*pro tem.* Yorkshire Association), 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A monthly meeting will be held at Whitnash on Saturday, March 20th. Bells (6) available from 3.30 p.m.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Kingston-on-Thames on Saturday, the 20th March. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in the church at 4.30. Tea in Parish Room at 5.30. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me?—Chas. Dean, 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION—Leicester District.—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at St. Saviour's, Leicester, on Saturday, March 20th. Ringing from 2.30; business meeting 5 p.m.—H. E. Norman, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Tarleton on March 27th. Bells available from 3; meeting at 5.30. Nearest railway station, Hesketh Bank. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.



**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Armley on Saturday, March 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. for the purpose of nomination of officers for the ensuing year. Will all members try and attend?—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Steyning on Saturday, March 27th. Bells available from 2 p.m., tea at the Norfolk Arms 5 o'clock. Members intending being present kindly notify me not later than March 24th.—A. W. Groves, Div. Sec., 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Heanor on Saturday, March 27th. Bells ready at 2.30.—Thomas H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Bethersden on Saturday, March 27th. Bells available from 3 to 6.30, Woodchurch from 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore.

**STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Biddulph on Saturday, April 3rd. Those intending to be present please notify me on or before 30th March. Bells 3 o'clock; tea 5.30 p.m.—J. Johnson, Hon. Sec., E. Steele, Assist. Sec., 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Nottingham on Easter Monday, April 5th, to receive officers' report, treasurer's accounts, and for the election of officers for the ensuing year. Under Rule 7, nominations for the various positions must reach me one month before the meeting. Further particulars of meeting later.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting will be held at Stowmarket on Easter Monday, April 5th, 1920. The President, the Very Reverend the Dean of Norwich, in the chair. The ring of eight bells of the Parish Church and the ring of six bells at Great Finborough and Barking will be available for the use of members. Committee meeting will be held at the King's Head Hotel at 12 o'clock noon, and the general meeting at 2.30 p.m. District Secretaries are kindly requested to bring this notice before their members in view of the important business to be transacted at the general meeting. Dinner will be served at the King's Head Hotel at 1.30 p.m. Tickets 3/6 each. It is earnestly requested that all members intending to be present at the dinner will notify the same to the Secretary by Wednesday, March 31st.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., 'High Croft,' North Walsham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Canterbury on Easter Monday, April 5th. Committee meeting in Choristers' School, 1.45 p.m. Evensong at Cathedral, 3 p.m., address by Rev. Canon Gardiner. Tea at Foresters' Hall, 4.30 p.m., followed by business meeting. Towers open for ringing in morning till 2.30 p.m. and after 6 p.m.:—Cathedral (10), St. Stephen's (8), St. Alphege (6), St. Dunstan's (6) and Holy Cross (5). Apply for tea tickets before March 31st to Fred J. O. Helmore, Hon. Sec., Canterbury.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday, April 5th. Three or four towers available from 9 a.m. Service 12.15. Luncheon 1 p.m., followed by business

meeting. Notice has been given of proposed alterations to Rules 6, 7 and 11. Full details later.—Edward P. Duffield, Hon. Sec., Stoke Mills, Sharnbrook, Beds.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The April meeting will be held at Barnsley on Easter Monday, April 5th. Eight bells from 2 to 8.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will take place at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, Leeds, on Easter Monday, April 5th. Bells (8) available all day, bells of St. Michael's, Headingley (8), available from 3 p.m. Tea provided at 1/6 per head, all applications for same must be made not later than first post on Tuesday, March 30th, to Mr. F. Hutchinson, Weetwood Lane, Far Headingley, Leeds.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec. (*pro tem.*), 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 5th. General meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2.15 p.m. Service in the Cathedral at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m. for all who notify me before Wednesday, March 31st. Bells available: Cathedral (12) 1 to 2 p.m., All Saints' (10), St. Helen's (8), Hallow (8), St. Nicholas' (6), and St. John-in-Bedwardine (6). Subscriptions should be paid and reports obtained in St. Helen's Church House between 12 and 1 p.m.—J. R. Newman, Hon. Sec., Sheepcote, Severn Stoke, Worcester.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A district meeting will be held at Brentwood on Easter Monday. Bells available at 1 p.m. Short service in St. Thomas' Church at 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in the Church House, Brentwood, at 1/- per head. The towers of Brentwood (8 bells), Shenfield (6 bells) and South Weald (6 bells) will be open to ringers at 1 o'clock. Will all those who intend to be present please notify Mr. E. D. Baker, Town Hall, Brentwood, by the 30th inst.?—P. Timson, Hon. District Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Swindon on Easter Monday, April 5th. Dinner 4/6 and tea 1/6 at King's Arms Hotel, Wood Street. Service and ringing details will be announced in these columns next week. Will members requiring meals kindly notify me before April 1st?—Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Ringing at the Cathedral, St. Peter's, St. Michael's, and St. Stephen's from 2 p.m. Ringing can be had earlier at the Cathedral and the six-bell towers by writing to me in good time. Choral service in the Cathedral at 5 p.m., with address by the Rev. J. B. Booth, Vicar of St. Stephen's, St. Albans. Tea in the Abbey Institute at 6 p.m., followed by annual business meeting. *Post me a card not later than April 3rd if you can come, it will help tea arrangements. Don't stay away if you forget to write.* Notice of motion given by the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake: 'That this Association is of opinion that the time has come for the Central Council to have powers, other than merely deliberation.'—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at All Souls', Bolton, on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available 5 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.



**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—A combined practice for Surprise Methods only will be held at Hurst on Saturday, March 20th, from 4.30 until 8.30 p.m. A good attendance is desired.—R. T. Hibbert, General Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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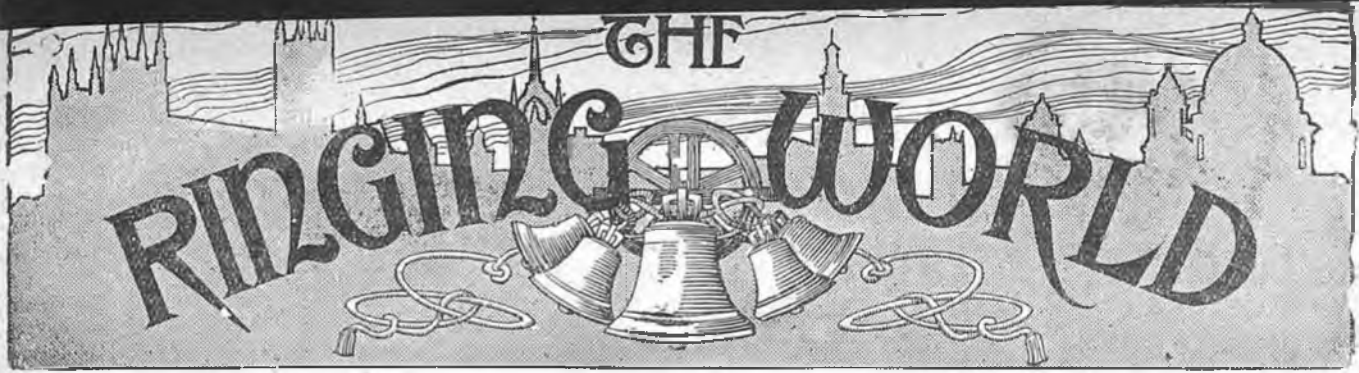
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## THE DEMANDS UPON SPACE.

The discussion which took place at the recent meeting of the Middlesex Association and the resolution which was passed with regard to "The Ringing World" is interesting and not altogether unwelcome. It is interesting because it reveals how little the average ringer knows of the difficulties which beset such a publication as this in these abnormal times, and it is not unwelcome because it gives an opportunity of replying to criticisms which sometimes reach us and which, on this occasion, are publicly made. We have endeavoured from time to time to show how the handicap of the existing conditions prevents us from expanding as we would desire, but it is evidently necessary to remind the Exercise of some of the facts that govern the position.

The resolution asks us to put aside advertisements, peals and correspondence on the subject of composition in order to publish touches and other matter which would be beneficial to beginners. Now, no one is more anxious than we are to cater for those who are taking the first steps in the art, but those who argue that this should be done to the exclusion of matters which interest those who have gone beyond the beginner stage have lost the sense of proportion. It is, we think, unnecessary here to enter into a justification of the publication of peal reports and of correspondence in which those interested in the higher branches of the art take part. Not unnaturally many people who send a contribution to a paper, whether it be a peal, a touch, a letter, or the report of a meeting, consider that their particular item is the most important for the next issue; but it is the unprejudiced mind in the editorial chair, coupled with the knowledge of the mechanical limitations which have to be coped with, that must finally decide which contributions shall have precedence, and we ask our contributors to believe that the choice of what shall appear is made as far as possible in the best interests of the majority of the readers, and without "fear or favour, affection or ill-will."

But now we come to the wider issue, which is touched upon by the suggestion that a sacrifice of advertisements should be one of the methods by which the limitations of space should be overcome. Those who talk in this strain are unaware that the present cost of printing and distributing "The Ringing World" is just about one farthing more per copy than the twopence which they pay for it, so that without a substantial advertisement revenue there could be no "Ringing World" at all. If we make a comparison with the pre-war cost of production, it may surprise many to know that paper such as this journal is

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printed upon is costing five times as much and labour is three times as high now as in 1914. Paper is still soaring, and was never higher in war time, while one never quite knows when another demand for higher wages may have to be met. With these complications, it is impossible to do more than carry on from week to week, making the best of the position.

The solution of the problem of providing for the wants of beginners is not on the lines suggested at the Middlesex meeting, viz., the exclusion of matters of interest to others more advanced, or the elimination of one of the most important sources of revenue, but a larger paper. This, at a time when paper is more difficult to obtain than under the war-time rationing scheme, is practically impossible. In any case, it could only be done at an increased charge. One of the difficulties of newspapers is that, unlike the draper or the grocer, the owner is not able to pass on every rise in the cost of production and material to the customer. The alternative lies between bringing content for a time with the present limitations or having a bigger journal at a higher price. This is no easy choice, for no one knows better than we do the growing demand for expansion, nor, we presume, the obstacles to a larger journal circulating, as "The Ringing World" does, among a limited public.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

APPLETON, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, March 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATER. 5075 CHANGES:**

RICHARD T. HIBBERT ... Treble	FREDERICK WEBB ... 6
GEORGE H. PHILOTT ... 2	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... 7
*SERGT. WILLIAM HIBBERT ... 3	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN. ... 8
*FRANK TAYLOR ... 4	RICHARD WHITE ... 9
CHARLES DEAN ... 5	FRED WHITE ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD, SEN.

Rung on the 102nd anniversary of the opening of the bells. \* First peal of Caters.

STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATER. 5021 CHANGES:**

Tenor 21 cwt.

G. ORCHARD ... Treble	ALFRED HANNIS ... 6
FRANK COLE ... 2	WILLIAM LANCASTER ... 7
CHARLES AUSTIN ... 3	CHARLES GARDINER ... 8
ALBERT WRIGHT ... 4	JOHN BALLANGER ... 9
HUBERT SCRIVENS ... 5	ALBERT HANKS ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.  
Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday March 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATER. 5057 CHANGES:**

Tenor 24½ cwt.

GEORGE HOLLIS ... Treble	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... 6
JOHN FLINT ... 2	WILLIAM BENNETT ... 7
SAMUEL WESLEY ... 3	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... 8
JOHN HOLMAN ... 4	*ERNEST WALLACE ... 9
NEVILLE H. WIDDOWSON ... 5	WALTER ALLWOOD ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

\* First peal.



**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**OAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Friday, December 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VINCENT,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt. in E.

WILLIAM HOLLINGWORTH ... Treble	GEORGE SCOTT ... 5
JOHN W. WOOD ... 2	REV. H. LAW JAMES ... 6
ARCHIE C. STOKES ... 3	WALTER WOOD ... 7
FRED W. STOKES ... 4	RUFERT RICHARDSON ... Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by RUFERT RICHARDSON.

This was the conductor's 200th peal. The above record was omitted from its proper place among the peal reports.

TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BOLTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

VICAR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

HERBERT ALLRED ... Treble	WILLIAM HINDLEY ... 5
HARRY ALLRED ... 2	WILLIAM PENNINGTON ... 6
BENJAMIN ALLRED ... 3	JOHN POTTER ... 7
ROBERT ALLRED, SEN. ... 4	*HUGH WATTS ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

This peal was rung to the memory of the late James Allred, who was a ringer at the above Parish for 45 years. The ringer of the 6th hails from Bolton, and the 7th from Walkden. \* First peal away from the treble.

WHITWORTH.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

JOHN HOLLOWES ... Treble	JAMES JACQUES ... 5
WILLIAM BERRY ... 2	JOHN H. C. MASSEY ... 6
JAMES ARROWSMITH, SEN. ... 3	WILLIAM HARDMAN ... 7
THOMAS K. DRIVER ... 4	TOM WELLES ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM BERRY.

This composition is rung for the first time. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble. The band wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells and Mr. Grindrod in having everything ready.

DEVIZES, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt.

*SYDNEY FRANCIS ... Treble	HORACE D. TAYLOR ... 5
COMER MEAD ... 2	*WILLIAM R. BAXTER ... 6
GEORGE ARCHARD ... 3	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... 7
GILBERT H. HARDING ... 4	FRANK GREEN ... Tenor

Conducted by G. H. HARDING.

\* First peal of Triples. Rung with the bells half-muffled by members of the Devizes Branch in sacred memory of those ringers who fell in the war. Rung by ex-service men. The ringers served as follows: Treble, Pte. and Suffolk; 2nd, Sergt. Wilts Yeomanry; 3rd, Pte. R.A.S.C.; 4th, Cpl. R.A.F.; 5th, Leading Air Mechanic R.A.F.; 6th, Wheeler R.G.A.; 7th, Bombardier R.G.A.; tenor, Pioneer-Sergt. 1/4th Wilts.

FULHAM.—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, February 15th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters: W. H. Hollier 1, A. Cutmore 2, C. T. Coles (conductor) 3, A. W. Darlington 4, F. Skevington 5, C. Charge 6, G. C. Isles 7, A. Harding 8, W. H. Wood 9, — Edwards 10.—On Sunday, January 18th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters: W. H. Hollier 1, J. W. Driver 2, C. Charge (conductor) 3, A. Cutmore 4, A. W. Darlington 5, G. C. Isles 6, W. H. Wood 7, G. Spencer 8, A. Harding 9, W. Dickens 10.

DEPTFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

*REGINALD MARSHALL ... Treble	HAROLD CLARK ... 5
*WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... 2	ERNEST B. CROWDER ... 6
THOMAS EASTERBY ... 3	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... 7
FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON ... 4	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

\* First peal of Major. Reginald Marshall is only 16 years of age. Mr. Pickett, who hails from Sunderland, was elected a member of the Kent County Association previous to starting. Quickest peal of Major on the bells.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON IN THE EAST,**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... 5
WILLIAM PYE ... 2	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... 6
WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... 3	ALBERT W. COLES ... 7
CHARLES T. COLES ... 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

BOLTON.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, February 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

W. WALLAND ... Treble	J. MAWSON ... 5
E. SIMPSON ... 2	A. GILL ... 6
F. PALFRAMAN ... 3	T. PALFRAMAN ... 7
F. HOPWOOD ... 4	J. PALFRAMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by J. PALFRAMAN.

First peal as conductor. \* First peal of Bob Major.

BIRSTALL, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, February 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 22½ cwt.

JAMES BARRACLOUGH ... Treble	CHARLES SENIOR ... 5
JOSEPH BROADLEY ... 2	WILLIAM B. FRITH ... 6
WILLIAM CLARK ... 3	EDWARD CROWTHER ... 7
HERBERT DRANSFIELD ... 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

This was rung as a 72nd birthday compliment to Mr. James Barraclough and was his 100th peal, his first peal having been rung on the old bells in this tower in November, 1867. This composition is now rung for the first time.

SHOREHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, February 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

JOHN CROWDER ... Treble	ERNEST B. CROWDER ... 5
EDWIN J. PANNETT ... 2	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... 6
WILLIAM PICKETT ... 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... 7
REGINALD MARSHALL ... 4	HUBERT J. BLACKWELL ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES.

The ringers of the treble, 2nd, 5th and 7th hail from St. John's, Deptford, and 3rd, 4th and 6th from St. Nicholas', Deptford, the tenor man, attached to SS. Peter and Paul, Bromley, hails from Chelsfield.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thursday, March 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicolas,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

**THURETANS' FOUR-PART.**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	*D. C. WILLIAMS, F.R.C.O. 5
WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. 2	CHARLES J. FRAY ... .. 6
WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. GEORGE ... .. 7
WALTER G. ROWE ... .. 4	OWEN H. GILES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. GEORGE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor and a wedding peal to Mr. John A. Fleming of Stoneham Park. First peal in the method rung by entirely local band. \* First peal in the method.

**CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of Holy Trinity,*

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM WATTS ... .. 5
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 2	JOHN W. GOLDING ... .. 6
ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 3	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 7
JOHN RICE ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

**BARWELL, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION**

*On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... .. Treble	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. 5
HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 6
D. HAROLD ARGYLE ... .. 3	*DET.-SGT. H. G. JENNEY 7
*WILLIAM H. B. MUNDY ... .. 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... Tenor

Composed by the late CHAS. H. HATTERLEY.

Conducted by FRED H. DEXTER.

\* First Surprise peal. First peal in the method on the bells.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

**NORTH CAVE, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(EASTERN DISTRICT.)**

*On Thursday, January 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,*

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5160 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of New London Pleasure, Duke of York, Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Oxford, Kent and 840 Violet.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in G.

THOMAS S. MONTON ... .. Treble	HARRY RODMELL ... .. 4
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... .. 2	ARTHUR E. WEST ... .. 5
JAMES S. CALVERT ... .. 3	LEONARD RODMELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD RODMELL.

First peal of Treble Bob Minor on the bells.

**MARDEN, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(HEREFORD DISTRICT.)**

*On Sunday, February 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*WILLIAM H. SYMONDS ... Treble	WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... 4
JOHN BEAVEN ... .. 2	HENRY J. TAYLOR ... .. 5
*WALTER TAYLOR ... .. 3	CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled by request of the Vicar and parishioners, after the dedication of war memorial to the fallen of the parish. First peal of Minor on the bells. \* First peal of Minor.

**ASHBOCKING, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sunday, February 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Comprising 720 of London Surprise, and two 720's each of Cambridge Surprise and Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

GEORGE FARNISH ... .. Treble	GEORGE BENNETT ... .. 4
GEORGE FLEMMING ... .. 2	ALBERT FLEMMING ... .. 5
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	WILLIAM BURGESS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM BURGESS.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

**LEISTON, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Monday, February 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
In the Vestry of St. Margaret's Church,*

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANCES;**

ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 1-2	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 5-6
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 3-4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 7-8
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 9-10	

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Witnesses: A. KEEBLE and J. G. RUMSEY.

**ARMLEY, LEEDS.**

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tuesday, March 2, 1920, in Two Hours and One Minute,  
At 10, MITFORD ROAD,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

MISS OLIVE L. LUMLEY ... 1-2	J. W. MOORHOUSE ... .. 5-6
*MALCOLM MOORHOUSE ... 3-4	GERALD MOORHOUSE ... .. 7-8

Composed by C. H. MARTIN.

Conducted by JOHN W. MOORHOUSE.

\* First peal on an inside pair.

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.**

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)**

*On Wednesday, March 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the King Edward VI. Grammar School,*

**A PEAL OF CRANBORE TRIPLES, 5046 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 18 in G.

*WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STERRE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MRS. PULLING and Miss M. MELVILLE.

\* First peal away from the tenors.

**CAMBRIDGE.**

**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**

*On Wednesday, March 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At Trinity College,*

**A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

*W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 1-2	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY (Trin.) 3-4	*B. F. SHEPPARD (Trin.) ... 7-8

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in the method.

**CAMBRIDGE.**

**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**

*On Wednesday, March 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
At Trinity College,*

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL 5040 CHANCES;**

J. BUTLER (Fitzwilliam Hall) 1-2	*W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY (Trin.) 3-4	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 7-8
*B. F. SHEPPARD (Trin.) ... 9-10	

Composed by E. M. ATKINS.

Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

Umpire: H. G. BENSON.

\* First peal of Royal. First peal of Royal as conductor.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.****THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, March 9, 1919, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET, HARWICH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Umpire: GEORGE TAYLOR. Witness: TOM BERNARD.

This is believed to be the first performance of the kind for the Association.

**CAMBRIDGE.****THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**

On Sunday, March 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT FITZWILLIAM HALL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANCES;**

J. BUTLER (Fitzwilliam Hall) 1-2 | W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 5-6  
E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 3-4 | \*H. G. BENSON (King's) ... 7-8

Composed by E. M. ATKINS.

Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal.

**BIRMINGHAM.****THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**

On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. A. WALKER, 81, BAKER STREET,  
SPARKHILL,

**A PEAL OF ERIN CINQUES, 5063 CHANCES;**

Tenor 19 size in F.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... 1-2 | JAMES E. GROVES ... 7-8  
FRANK W. PRERRENS ... 3-4 | ALBERT WALKER ... 9-10  
GEORGE F. SWANN ... 5-6 | MORRIS J. MORRIS ... 11-12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

Referee: MR. JOHN CARTER. Witness: MR. WILLIAM R. SMALL.

Mr. John Neal also heard the last hour of the peal.

This is the second peal of Erin Cinques ever rung, the first being rung at Christ Church, West Bromwich, Sept. 23rd, 1911.

**SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.****RINGING UNDER DIFFICULTIES.**

On Saturday, March 20th, a monthly meeting of the Salop Archidiaconal Guild was held at Cound, where there is a ring of six bells cast by Rudhall in 1726. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m., and several good touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Bob Minor were rung. A 720 of Bob Minor was scored, this being a difficult task owing to the fact that the bells go very heavily, and the ropes slip wheel. There is also a very long draught, the ringing chamber being on the ground floor, and the ropes being without sallie guides. The 720 was rung by: J. Garbett 1, G. L. Hewitt 2, E. V. Rodenhurst 3, W. Freeman 4, W. Saunders 5, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 6. The local ringers complimented the visitors on the excellent striking. Tea was partaken of in the Guildhall, and was very kindly given by Mrs. McQuorquodale, of Cound Hall. After tea, the ringers returned to the tower and rung several touches of Kent Treble Bob Minor, and a few call changes for the learners (one or two of whom were nearly hanged owing to the long draught).

Ringers were present from the following places: Shrewsbury, Coalbrookdale, Wroxeter, Stanton-on-Hine Heath, Much Wenlock, Malins Lee, Cardington and Cound.

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****SOUTHERN DISTRICT MEETING.**

Despite the inclement weather, a good number of ringers attended the annual meeting of the Southern District at Rammoor. The bells were kept going in various methods for about four hours. Service was held at 5 o'clock, the Vicar (the Rev. J. R. Lee Nicholls) preaching an appropriate sermon from the text, 'At what time ye hear the sound fall down and worship' (Daniel iii. 5).

Tea was provided in the Schoolroom by the local company and their ladies. The Vicar presided over the business meeting, supported by Mr. Tindall (churchwarden) and Mr. F. Willey (vice-president). Messrs. Shackleton and Potter were re-elected to the committee, and Mr. G. Holmes elected in place of Mr. J. Hohman, resigned. Good progress was made with regard to new members, the tower of Sprothorought furnishing six, Doncaster four, Conisbora and Rammoor one each.

Arksey was the place chosen for the next quarterly meeting in June.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and local company for their services.—In replying, the former urged the necessity of training young ringers to fill vacancies in the belfry.—Mr. Haynes briefly replied on behalf of the local ringers.

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### IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Owing to Good Friday falling in next week, the 'Ringing World' will be published on Thursday, and notices, etc., intended for publication must reach the Editorial Office not later than Monday.

### BELFRY GOSSIP.

'House Full' is already announced in connection with the Johnson Dinner to-morrow. The company is expected to number 180, and many late applications have had to be refused. Those who, as in previous years, have dropped in promiscuously at the last minute will not on this occasion find accommodation.

We understand that as a war memorial the tower at St. James', Northampton, is to be completed and equipped with a peal of bells and a clock.

A whole day might be put in at the Wycombes on Easter Monday.—The caves beneath the hill on which the church stands at West Wycombe are well worth a visit. The ball on the top of the church spire will seat half a dozen men. How about a double-handed touch in both romantic nooks?

St. George's Day, 23rd April, will be celebrated at Beaconsfield on Saturday, 24th. Invitation tea, ringing and service, and 'touch' by a band of 'Georges.'—Watch the notice columns, please.

Bucks again! It is rumoured that a gathering of ringers and tea is to take place at Chalfont St. Peter, in May. Read the 'Ringing World' and 'Buck up.'

By the generosity of a well-known resident two more bells are to be added to the present ring of six at the Church of St. Mary, at North Myms, Herts. The work has been entrusted to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and, when complete, the ring will make one of the most musical peals in the county with a tenor of 15 cwt.

A band who have just rung a peal in seven methods at Sweffling, Suffolk, will be glad to have information as to whether it was the first peal on the bells. There seems reason to suppose that there was a peal rung there about 40 years ago, but there is no actual record of the performance.

### THE COUNCIL AND ITS COMMITTEES.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—Mr. Carter will, perhaps, forgive me if my last letter appears to reflect on him at all. Older members of the Central Council are probably aware of the circumstances under which he resigned from the committee before the publication of 'Legitimate Methods,' but to those not possessing that information the situation is an extraordinary one. The C.C. has spent considerable sums on publication, money worse than wasted unless the Exercise can accept its literature as expressing the genuine conviction of those ostensibly responsible for it. That the name of a committeeman who resigned office before the publication of his committee's book should have been retained on the title page for 15 long years reveals a most regrettable laxity or levity somewhere, and an explanation is imperatively needed. Can the secretary to the C.C. perhaps furnish one?

To me it seems a relatively small matter how these 21 Minor Methods and the corresponding Major Methods are classified, but that gentlemen who do not agree with their fellow committeemen, and whose resignation has conceivably been not unconnected with that disagreement, should be held officially responsible for their committee's finding, is indeed ruinous to the Council's prestige.

Other publications by C.C. Committees are in preparation. May I venture to express the hope that every means will be taken to prevent the repetition of a similar disaster? And is it too much to ask that the name of Mr. Carter be expunged from the title page of any remaining copies of the 'Collection of Legitimate Methods' as yet unsold? The retention of his name is fair neither to the Exercise nor to himself.

The reform of the Council is much to the fore just now. A beginning might well be made with its relationship to its own committeemen. Before it assumes legislative authority over the Exercise at large it might with propriety adopt administrative control of its committees, want of which is probably responsible for the glaring case under review. Let it not be forgotten that it is not the Legitimate Methods Committee alone that is concerned. Delegates will remember a certain lordly detachment of the Council from others of its own committees.—Yours, etc.,  
B. S. POWELL.

Holbeion Vicarage, Plymouth.

### LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

*To the Editor.*

At the last annual meeting, held in Lincoln last April, it was decided to raise funds to add four trebles to the ring of eight in the Cathedral in memory of those members who had fallen in the war, and also to put up a tablet with the list of names in the Ringers' Chapel. Collecting cards are now distributed in all the towers in the diocese, and every member is asked to give or get ten shillings for the fund; but we have a large number of non-resident life members whom I can only reach through the 'Ringing World,' and I should be glad if you can let me have space for this letter to ask their kind assistance, if they will kindly send me what they can.—Yours truly,  
Surfleet, Lincs.

H. LAW JAMES.



**BEGINNERS' INTEREST.****MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION'S RESOLUTION.**

We have been asked to publish the following summary of a discussion which took place at the South and West District meeting of the Middlesex Association, and the resolution that was passed. It seems to us that the meeting discussed the question with inadequate knowledge and from a one-sided point of view. A general reply to the criticism will be found in our leading article. The report of the meeting states: While many regretted the lack of support accorded to the 'Ringing World,' expression was given that the paper did not lend itself to extension, as the vital point was to gain the interest of the younger generation, i.e., beginners, and this could not be done by advertisements, publication of deals and correspondence on composition. What was required was news to attract such support by the publication of touches, quarter-peals and matters of general interest, the following resolution being carried without one dissentient: 'The Middlesex Association and London Diocesan Guild, S. and W. district, view with regret the absence of quarter-peals, elementary touches, and other matter beneficial to young ringers in the "Ringing World."'

**BERKS AND BUCKS RINGERS.****POINTS FROM AN OXFORD GUILD MEETING.**

Another excellent muster of members of the East Berks and South Bucks Oxford Diocesan Guild took place at Bray, being Saturday, and the afternoon springlike, coupled with the hospitality of the Vicar and ringers of Bray, nearly a hundred were brought together for prayer and praise upon the 'loud cymbals.' The following 17 towers were represented: Boyne Hill, Cookham, Bray, Beaconsfield, Slough, Stoke Poges, Fulmer, Warfield, Windsor, Marlow, Farnham Royal, Waltham St. Lawrence, Old Windsor, Clewer, Hitcham. The visitors were: J. B. Williamson, Whitwell; W. Lawrence, Ealing; Miss Williams, Hillingdon; H. D. Barker, Islington; A. J. Harding, Reading.

Evening service was much appreciated, as four clergymen were present. It was attended by 76 ringers, one more than the number who courteously signified their intention to be present, and, who, by their presence, helped to destroy the reproach occasionally made with regard to the weekly church attendances—or, shall it be said, ringers' absence? The Guild's form of service was employed, conducted by the Master, the Vicar of Bray presiding at the organ. An address was kindly given by the Rev. Harold Willson, M.A. (Hitcham), and brought forth new points for the consideration of change ringers, who were reminded that he, the preacher, would often think of their gathering that afternoon, as he could see Bray tower from his windows at Hitcham, and thus he would recall the privilege of addressing such a prosperous brotherhood. Tea went off gaily, the Vicar and Miss Riddlesell, Mrs. Deadman, the Misses Stokes and Miss Watts doing the lion's share of waiting upon so large a family. The room was packed, and inquiry was made as to whether it was an 'annual.'—The Master, amidst cheers, gave away certificates to some dozen men recently qualified, and offered a hearty welcome to the members of the St. George's Society, Windsor, congratulated the Bray team (including the Vicar) upon their six scores, and welcomed the visitors from more distant bellfries.

A course of Grandshire Caters on handbells was brought to a 'lead end' by Messrs. Mayne, Barker, Williamson, Martin and Welling.—The Hon. Secretary reported progress by the branch, and mentioned that All Saints' Society, High Wycombe, had appointed a small local committee to help make the Easter Festival of the branch a success, even if there was no incumbent appointed by them. Mention of the publication of the annual report for 1919 showed that copies would cost the Guild 9d. each, but sufficient numbers would be printed to allow everyone to procure a copy at 6d. who wished to have one to themselves.

Following their local custom, the party was not allowed to disperse without personally thanking those who had so generously helped in the day's proceedings, by official votes, as follows: Mr. Kirk, to the Rector of Hitcham for his encouraging address; Mr. Williamson, to the Vicar, ringers and ladies of Bray for tea; Mr. Copey, to the organist, choir boys and tower foreman; Mr. Harding, to the Master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), and Mr. R. T. Hibbert (Diocesan secretary), for their attendance and help.

What of the ringing? The prime factor in all this report, the practice may be summed up thus: The 'service touch' was rung by the home side, with the foreman conducting; a Cambridge M.A. rang the tenor to a course of Cambridge Surprise Minor as Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild; three ladies and three clergymen took ropes during the day. Berks and Bucks can supply—within rifle-shot—the two extremes for a ring of six bells: Mighty Bray 30, and Little Hitcham 6 cwt., tenor. The branch possesses an octave of ringing clergymen, who, it is hoped, to mobilise for training shortly. Maidenhead can boast of a fine ring of eight by Warner and Sons, London, and an excellent team of ten change ringers; unfortunately both are standing idle because the authorities concerned will not repair the bell fittings.

Where the cycles were stored, and what became of the bread and cheese the ringers can tell, but it is left to the recorder for the parish to hand down to our successors the simple additional facts of this February day.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.****ANNUAL MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the above Guild was held at St. Thomas' Church, Dudley, on Saturday, March 6th, and owing to the inclement weather it was not surprising to find that very few attended. The beautiful peal of ten bells was available. The service in the church was conducted by the President of the Guild (the Rev. A. H. Phelps, M.A., Vicar of Dudley), who also gave an eloquent and interesting address. At the close of the service, an adjournment was made to the Schoolroom, where a bountiful tea was in readiness. Mrs. A. H. Phelps, Mrs. J. W. Naylor, Mrs. and Miss Tail presiding at the tables. Among those present were the Rev. A. H. Phelps, Messrs. J. Mc D. (the people's warden), J. Bayliss, Arthur Spittle, etc. About forty members sat down to tea, representing among others the towers of Aston, Bilston, Birmingham, Coseley, Dudley, Old Hill, Tipton, Sedgley, Stourbridge, Wood Green, Welchesbury, Bradley, etc.

At the business meeting which followed, the Rev. A. H. Phelps presided, and gave the members a hearty welcome again to Dudley.

The Secretary, having read his annual report, which, with the balance sheet, was passed, it was decided to leave the question of printing the report and balance sheet until next meeting, together with the question of raising the subscriptions owing to the high cost of printing and other expenses incurred by the Guild.

It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Halesowen, subject to the usual consent of the Vicar and the local band being obtained, the arrangements to be left with the secretary.

The following were the officers elected for the ensuing year: President, the Rev. A. H. Phelps, M.A., Vicar of Dudley; vice-presidents, the Right Hon. Sir Arthur G. Bossawen, M.P., the Rev. Canon Marriott, R.D., Vicar of Netherton; the Rev. J. A. Price, R.D., Vicar of Coseley; Messrs. Harry Mason, Arthur Spittle and Councillor Wilkes. Mr. John Goodman, junr. (Dudley), was elected Ringing Master in the place of Mr. H. Mason, who has resigned, owing to his having left the district.—Mr. A. E. Parsons, in voicing the feelings of those present, expressed regret at Mr. Mason resigning the Mastership, and proposed that the best thanks of the meeting be accorded to him for his past valuable services and support to the Guild.—The proposal was carried unanimously, and Mr. Mason briefly replied.

Mr. Herbert Sheppard (Dudley) was re-elected hon. secretary and Mr. Ben Gough (Coseley) hon. treasurer, whilst Mr. A. E. Law (Coseley) and Mr. John Smith (Tipton) were re-elected auditors.

At the close of the meeting, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the president for his kindness in conducting the service for presiding at the meeting, for the use of the tower, bells and schoolroom, to the subscribers to the tea fund, to the organist (Mr. Cutler), to the ladies for presiding at the tables, also the ladies for preparing and serving the tea, not forgetting the Vicarage maids for their services, and to all who in any way had assisted to make the meeting a successful one.

The President then closed the proceedings with prayer, and the members sang the Doxology, which brought another successful meeting to a close.

**MEMORIAL TO THE LATE ROWLAND CARTWRIGHT.**

It is proposed to erect a memorial at the grave of the late Rowland Cartwright in Wombourne Churchyard, and in order to do this members of the Stafford Archdeaconry Society and other friends of the deceased are invited to subscribe to this worthy object—to perpetuate the memory of one who did much spadework for the art of change ringing. Subscribers will be gratefully received by

Rev. C. H. BARKER, 147, Bromford Lane, West Bromwich, or  
H. KNIGHT, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**LATE EASTER NOTICES.**

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid-Devon Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Totnes on Easter Monday, April 5th. Bells of the Parish Church (St. Mary's) will be available from 2 p.m. Tea and business meeting will be held in the Parish Room, Church Institute, at 4 p.m. Will members intending to be present for tea please notify the Secretary not later than March 31st?—W. C. Wakley, Hon. Sec., Bella Vista, Teignmouth.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—Annual meeting of District at Southover, Lewes, on Easter Monday. Tower open 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 followed by the meeting. Half railway fare. Tea 1/3 to members notifying the undersigned by April 1st.—A. D. Stone, Hon. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

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## NOTICES.

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**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Estab. 1755).—The 32nd Annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at The Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, March 27th, at 6 o'clock, when the chair will be taken by Canon E. Grose Hodge, M.A., Rector of Birmingham. All tickets have been sold. The bells of St. Martin's (12) and the Cathedral (10) will be available from 3 to 5.15.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch. —The next meeting will be held at Tarleton on March 27th. Bells available from 3; meeting at 5.30. Nearest railway station, Hesketh Bank. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Armley on Saturday, March 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. for the purpose of nomination of officers for the ensuing year. Will all members try and attend?—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Steyning on Saturday, March 27th. Bells available from 2 p.m., tea at the Norfolk Arms 5 o'clock. Members intending being present kindly notify me not later than March 24th.—A. W. Groves, Div. Sec., 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Heanor on Saturday, March 27th. Bells ready at 2.30.—Thomas H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec.

**STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Biddulph on Saturday, April 3rd. Those intending to be present please notify me on or before 30th March. Bells 3 o'clock; tea 5.30 p.m.—J. Johnson, Hon. Sec., E. Steele, Assist. Sec., 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-East Branch.—A meeting will be held at Washfield (two miles from Tiverton) on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4.45. Tea in Church Room 5.15, 9d. each. Calverleigh bells also available from 2 to 4 and 6.30 to 8. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me not later April 6th?—Rev. E. V. Cox, Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A district meeting will be held at Stebbing on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Tea will be provided at 5 o'clock, 1/6 per head. Members intending to be present please notify Mr. J. T. Barker, 'Hillside,' Stebbing, not later than Tuesday, April 6th, first post.—B. Ridgwell, District Sec., Rayne, near Braintree.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (12) available at 3. Short service at 5.15, with address by the Rev. J. J. G. Stockley, M.A. (Rector).—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, April 10th, 1920. Bells

ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Business: Alteration of date of the annual meetings.—J. Watson.

**SALISBURY GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Melksham on April 10th, beginning at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. Bells available all the evening.—Sydney G. Pepler, Hon. Sec., Hilperton, Trowbridge.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A meeting will be held at Rotherwick on Saturday, April 10th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 3.45. Tea at 4.30, to be followed by business meeting. Sixpence allowed for tea to those informing me not later than April 6th.—Charles D. P. Davis, Hon. Sec., Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at All Souls', Bolton, on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available 5 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, April 10th. Service at 5 p.m., with an address by the Vicar (Rev. G. K. S. Marshall). Tea at a reasonable cost in the Church House at 6 p.m., followed by business meeting. A good attendance is requested, as important financial proposals will be made. Ringing arrangement as follows: Fulham, 2.30 to 5 p.m., and after the meeting; Putney, 3 to 4.45 p.m., and 8 to 9 p.m. Accommodation for tea being limited, arrangements will only be made for those who advise either of the Hon. Secs., by the first post, April 7th.—C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow, E.17, and W. H. Oram, 25, Crown Street, Harrow, Hon. Secs.

**ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting at Leatherhead on Saturday, April 17th. Tower open 3 o'clock, ringing till 9 o'clock. Business meeting at the King's Head at 6.30. Members are urgently asked to communicate with me of their intention to attend the dinner on May Day.—H. J. Bradley, School House, Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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## NAMED.

A 720 of No. 20 of the Third's Place Delight methods published in the Central Council's Collection was rung at Denton on March 2nd, and the band intend to call the method 'Peveril Castle' if it has not already been previously rung and named. The band was: D. Wilde 1, A. E. Marshall 2, H. Bardsley 3, Rev. A. T. Beeston 4, W. Wilde 5, J. Heckingbottom 6. On February 29th Charles Clayton rang his first 727 of Plain Bob at the same tower.

## EASTER MEETINGS.

**NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting will be held at Stowmarket on Easter Monday, April 5th, 1920. The President, the Very Reverend the Dean of Norwich, in the chair. The ring of eight bells of the Parish Church and the ring of six bells at Great Finborough and Barking will be available for the use of members. Committee meeting will be held at the King's Head Hotel at 12 o'clock noon, and the general meeting at 2.30 p.m. District Secretaries are kindly requested to bring this notice before their members in view of the important business to be transacted at the general meeting. Dinner will be served at the King's Head Hotel at 1.30 p.m. Tickets 3/6 each. It is earnestly requested that all members intending to be present at the dinner will notify the same to the Secretary by Wednesday, March 31st.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., 'High Croft,' North Walsham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Canterbury on Easter Monday, April 5th. Committee meeting in Choristers' School, 1.45 p.m. Evensong at Cathedral, 3 p.m., address by Rev. Canon Gardiner. Tea at Foresters' Hall, 4.30 p.m., followed by business meeting. Towers open for ringing in morning till 2.30 p.m. and after 6 p.m.:—Cathedral (10), St. Stephen's (8), St. Alphege (5), St. Dunstan's (6) and Holy Cross (5). Apply for tea tickets before March 31st to Fred J. O. Helmore, Hon. Sec., Canterbury.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The April meeting will be held at Barnsley on Easter Monday, April 5th. Eight bells from 2 to 8. Tea will be provided at 1s. each to those applying before April 1st to C. D. Potter, 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley. — Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will take place at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, Leeds, on Easter Monday, April 5th. Bells (8) available all day, bells of St. Michael's, Headingley (8), available from 3 p.m. Tea provided at 1/6 per head, all applications for same must be made not later than first post on Tuesday, March 30th, to Mr. F. Hutchinson, Weetwood Lane, Far Headingley, Leeds.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec. (*pro tem.*), 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 5th. General meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2.15 p.m. Service in the Cathedral at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m. for all who notify me before Wednesday, March 31st. Bells available: Cathedral (12) 1 to 2 p.m., All Saints' (10), St. Helen's (8), Hallow (8), St. Nicholas' (6), and St. John-in-Bedwardine (6). Subscriptions should be paid and reports obtained in St. Helen's Church House between 12 and 1 p.m.—J. R. Newman, Hon. Sec., Sheepcote, Severn Stoke, Worcester.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A district meeting will be held at Brentwood on Easter Monday. Bells available at 1 p.m. Short service in St. Thomas' Church at 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in the Church House, Brentwood, at 1/- per head. The towers of Brentwood (8 bells), Shenfield (6 bells) and South Weald (6 bells) will be open to ringers at 1 o'clock. Will all those who intend to be present please notify Mr. E. D. Baker, Town Hall, Brentwood, by the 30th inst. ?—P. Timson, Hon. District Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Southport on Easter Monday, April 5th. Bells ready at 2; service 5; meeting at 5.30.—Rev. E. C. Collier and Walter Hughes, Secs.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Swindon on Easter Monday, April 5th. The Master (Rev. M. E. Thorold) will preside. Ringing will be arranged in the morning at various churches up till 12 noon, and at Christ Church from 6 to 8 p.m. Service at Christ Church at 12.30. Dinner at the King's Arms Hotel at 1.15, 4/6 per head. Meeting at 2 o'clock at King's Arms Hotel, followed by tea, 1/6 per head. Important business to be discussed, including Memorial, Election of Officers, and Central Council: its decisions and powers to enforce them. Information as to bells available in the morning can be obtained at the King's Arms Hotel, Wood Street. Members requiring dinner or tea must advise me before March 31st.—Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Nottingham on Easter Monday, April 5th. Ringing at St. Mary's (10), St. Peter's (10), Lenton (8) and Daybrook (8) from 10 a.m. Service in St. Mary's Church 3 p.m. Committee meeting 3.30. Meat tea at 4.30 (tickets 2/6 each) at the Nottingham Co-operative Society's Hall, Parliament Street. General meeting at St. Peter's School, Broad Marsh, at 5.15. Will all those intending to be present for tea please notify Mr. T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, by Wednesday, March 31st ?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Ringing at the Cathedral, St. Peter's, St. Michael's, and St. Stephen's from 2 p.m. Ringing can be had earlier at the Cathedral and the six-bell towers by writing to me in good time. Choral service in the Cathedral at 5 p.m., with address by the Rev. J. B. Booth, Vicar of St. Stephen's, St. Albans. Tea in the Abbey Institute at 6 p.m., followed by annual business meeting. *Post me a card not later than April 3rd if you can come, it will help tea arrangements. Don't stay away if you forget to write.* Notice of motion given by the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake: 'That this Association is of opinion that the time has come for the Central Council to have powers, other than merely deliberation.'—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday, April 5th. St. Paul's, St. Peter's and Elstow bells available from 9 a.m. Cardington from 3 p.m. Service in St. Paul's Church 12.15. Luncheon in the Drill Hall, St. Loeys, 1 p.m., followed by business meeting. Notice has been given of proposed alterations to Rules 6, 7 and 11, and several other matters of importance to the Association will be raised. A good attendance is particularly requested.—Edward P. Duffield, Hon. General Secretary, Sharnbrook, Beds.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Bury St. Edmunds on Easter Monday, April 5th. Service at the Cathedral, Bury St. Edmunds, at 12.30, followed by lunch and business meeting at the Suffolk Hotel. The Cathedral bells (10), St. Mary's (8), Horringer (8), and Fornham St. Martin (6) will be available during the day.



Those intending to be present for lunch must let me know by Tuesday, March 30th, otherwise it will be difficult to make arrangements.—A. E. Austin, Acting General Secretary, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at High Wycombe on Easter Monday, April 5th, 1920. Evensong at the Parish Church, with address by the President, Canon Eliot, at 4.30. Tea at the Church Institute at 5.15 p.m., business meeting to follow, the Master presiding. Storage for cycles. All Saints' tower open from 2 till 4 and 7 to 9, by permission of the churchwardens. The following towers are open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., by kind consent of the respective clergy, Hughenden, Beaconsfield, Wooburn and West Wycombe. Members will organise their own teams for the morning practices. Foremen of towers—and intending visitors—will advise the secretary as to the numbers requiring tea not later than April 1st.—W. H. Fussell, Hon. Sec., Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting of the Central District will be held at Ashted, Surrey, on Easter Monday. Bells available from 2 o'clock. Service in the church at 5 o'clock. Tea at Huntleys at 5.45 p.m.—Chas. Dean, Hon. Sec., 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.

**EDGBASTON.**—For morning service, on February 1st, a 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. Cartwright 1, W. Bryan 2, J. Carter 3, V. G. H. Hemus 4, G. Pigott (conductor) 5, J. Eaton 6.

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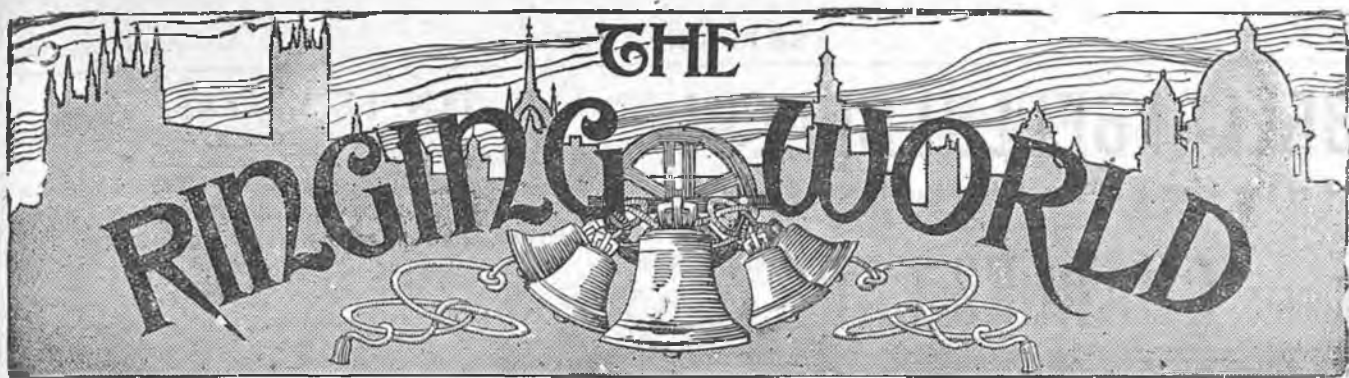
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## NEW SUGGESTIONS ON ORGANISATION

The organisation of ringing associations has, in the course of years, developed in a variety of forms, but chiefly upon a territorial basis, with the county or diocese as the unit. When the towers affiliated were comparatively few in numbers such units were easily run with centralised administration, but the expansion brought about by the rapid growth in the popularity of change ringing resulted in decentralisation being necessarily resorted to in the case of most societies. In regard to peal ringing, however, the only acknowledged claims are those of the parent associations, and the branch or division to which the ringers may belong is only of subsidiary importance.

On this matter some interesting points are raised by the Rev. H. Drake, who is keenly interested in the improvement of the administrative machinery of the Exercise, and he puts forward a number of suggestions which will doubtless be read and debated with interest among ringers. Briefly his most important points are that associations for peal recording purposes should be broken up into smaller units, such as Archdeaconries, and that every peal should be credited to the Archdeaconry in which it is rung, irrespective of the association from which the ringers come. Further, Mr. Drake suggests that the Central Council should be amended in its constitution in order that administrative details and matters of organisation should be dealt with by representatives of these Archdeaconry units, while the scientific section is left in the hands of a body appointed on existing lines.

Such suggestions are a little too sweeping to pass an opinion upon without very careful thought, and there are objections as well as advantages to be considered. This, however, ought not to prevent the suggestions outlined by Mr. Drake being ventilated and discussed. We think it hardly likely that at first sight many associations, or ringers, for that matter, will jump at the proposals; but the more one thinks about the suggestions the more one has to admit that there are phases of the proposals which commend themselves as being worth development. The organisation of the Exercise has proceeded steadily in one groove for many years, and it is not likely to be upset in any revolutionary manner; but it does not follow that it cannot be improved upon, and, if for no other reason, Mr. Drake's suggestions can be welcomed as providing a starting point for discussion. We should like to see consideration of matters such as this beginning at district meetings and going forward in due course for debate at the annual meetings of the associations, where matured thought could then find expression and a carefully considered decision be arrived at.

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## TEN BELL PEAL.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5006 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

RICHARD HAYES ... ..	Treble	ALFRED CRIPPS ... ..	6
ALBERT D. STONE ... ..	2	JOHN JAY ... ..	7
OLIVER SIFFETTS ... ..	3	KEITH HART ... ..	8
CHARLES PALMER ... ..	4	CAPT. J. R. MACKMAN ...	9
WILLIAM WATTS, SEN. ...	5	ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ...	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by Capt. J. R. MACKMAN.

Richard Hayes hails from Haslemere, Surrey, and was elected previous to starting.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

*H. LEWIS ... ..	Treble	MARTIN HARRIS ... ..	5
GEORGE JONES ... ..	2	SERGT. J. W. DAVIES ...	6
†FRANK FOX ... ..	3	ARTHUR NEWELL ... ..	7
ROBERT SPERRING ... ..	4	ARTHUR HARRISON ...	Tenor

Conducted by SERGT. J. W. DAVIES, R.A.M.C.

\* First peal. † First peal with Bob bell. All are members of above tower.

GLOSSOP.

THE GLOSSOP ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, OLD GLOSSOP,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

JAMES L. BUCKLEY ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM MARSDEN ... ..	5
THOMAS HARROP ... ..	2	THOMAS POTTS ... ..	6
EGMONT T. MALKIN ... ..	3	JOSEPH BENTLEY ... ..	7
HENRY COOPER ... ..	4	HARRY PENBERTON ...	Tenor

Composed by JAMES S. WILDE of Hyde.

Conducted by JOSEPH BENTLEY.

This peal has the 6th its extent wrong and right.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

**\* A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST BOYLIN ... ..	Treble	FRANK W. PERRENS ... ..	5
CHARLES DICKENS ... ..	2	PERCY O. LAFLIN ... ..	6
JOHN WITHERS ... ..	3	GEORGE F. SWANN ... ..	7
SAMUEL GROVE ... ..	4	ALFRED DAVIES ... ..	Tenor

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THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Thomas,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

FRANK SMITH ... .. Treble	RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 5
ALBERT A. HUGHES ... .. 2	TITUS BARLOW ... .. 6
FREDERICK PAGE ... .. 3	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 7
J. W. WASHBROOK, SEN. ... 4	AMOS TRIPPIER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

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TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THORSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT MARKWELL ... Treble	WILLIAM C. HART ... .. 5
GEORGE H. STONESTREET ... 2	WILLIAM STEED ... .. 6
WILLIAM LATTER ... .. 3	KEITH HART ... .. 7
FREDERICK WHITE ... .. 4	WILLIAM COLLISON ... Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

Rung on the occasion of the dedication of the bells by the Bishop of Rochester. W. C. Hart was elected a member of the Association previous to starting for the peal.

TONBRIDGE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Three Hours,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt.

HERBERT MARKWELL ... Treble	WILLIAM LATTER ... .. 5
HARRY HARRINGTON ... .. 2	WILLIAM STEED ... .. 6
GEORGE H. STONESTREET ... 3	KEITH HART ... .. 7
WILLIAM WENBAN ... .. 4	GEORGE EDWARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicolas,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... Treble	*EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. 5
FREDERICK A. BURNETT ... 2	WILLIAM BOLTON ... .. 6
LEONARD HARRIS ... .. 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 7
*FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 4	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Stedman.

MOORSIDE, OLDHAM, LANCs.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Thomas,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN. Treble	WALTER WOLSTENCROFT ... 5
RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 2	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 6
GEORGE TURNER ... .. 3	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN. 7
WILLIAM H. SHUKER ... .. 4	ROBERT H. BENT ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN.

First peal of Stedman on the bells. The visitors wish to express their thanks to the Moorside ringers for having everything in readiness, and for their hospitality at the conclusion of the peal.

NEWPORT, MON.—Llandaff Diocesan Association.—At the Church of All Saints, on March 8th, in 45 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes): B. Wilson 1, T. Ford 2, R. C. Seager 3, O. Greedy 4, F. Atwell 5, A. E. Morgan 6, J. W. Jones (conductor) 7, W. A. Gulley 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to R. O. Seager.

TURVEY, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
A PEAL OF DOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

WILLIAM COCKINGS ... Treble	HERBERT ROUSON ... .. 5
BERNARD FISHER ... .. 2	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... 6
HENRY W. GAYTER ... .. 3	WILLIAM FREEMAN ... .. 7
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 4	HENRY STAPLETON ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. WALTER.

Conducted by CHARLES WM. CLARKE.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Remigius,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

WILLIAM E. BASON ... Treble	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 5
CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 2	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 6
ALFRED WATSON ... .. 3	JAMES RAMPLEY ... .. 7
WALTER CHANDLER ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by GEO. CROSS.

First peal in the method by ringers of the 3rd, 4th and 6th. First peal of Treble Bob by ringer of the 7th.

BUXTED, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Margaret,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

PERCY MARCHANT ... Treble	ARTHUR CAUSLEY ... .. 5
WILFRED BOOTH ... .. 2	CHARLES BRAZIER ... .. 6
ALFRED J. PIERPOINT ... .. 3	JAMES A. HART ... .. 7
HENRY M. SMITH ... .. 4	*ALBERT HONTER ... Tenor

Conducted by J. A. HART.

\* Elected a member of the Association previous to starting for the peal.

NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Matthew,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5536 CHANCES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

ALBERT JAGGER ... Treble	JOHN JOYCE ... .. 5
MALCOLM MOORHOUSE ... 2	ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6
WILLIAM JOYCE ... .. 3	JOHN W. MOORHOUSE ... 7
FIELDING CROSSLEY ... .. 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

First peal by the ringers of 4th and 6th and first on tower bells by the 2nd ringer. This composition is now rung for the first time.

KIRKBURTON, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. in F.

R. B. SHAW ... Treble	EDWIN R. ARMITAGE ... 5
JOHN ROLLINSON ... .. 2	*FRED TOWNEND ... .. 6
HARRY ARMITAGE ... .. 3	WILLIAM B. FRITH ... .. 7
ALBERT ARMITAGE ... .. 4	JOE WILLIE PICKERING Tenor

Composed by J. FLEMING and Conducted by EDWIN R. ARMITAGE.

First peal on the bells, which were recast and rehung by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, who are to be very highly complimented upon the manner in which the work was executed. \* First peal.

SHARNBROOK, BEDS.—On Sunday, March 14th, for evening service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: E. A. Allen 1, W. A. Norman 2, G. F. Bell 3, R. C. Allen 4, A. J. Barcock 5, E. P. Duffield (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by all except the conductor, and first on the bells by a local company.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in F.

ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. Treble	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 5
JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 3	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 7
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 4	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.  
Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F.

WILLIAM SHORT ... .. Treble	JOHN WITHERS ... .. 5
ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. 2	*JOHN SMITH ... .. 6
JOHN BASS ... .. 3	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... .. 7
SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 4	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.  
Conducted by ALFRED DAVIES.

\* First peal of London.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN DE SEPULCHRE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

*ALFRED WATSON ... .. Treble	ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 5
JOHN E. BURTON ... .. 2	CHARLES E. BORRETT ... .. 6
GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 3	*WILLIAM G. MAYERS ... .. 7
GEORGE P. BURTON ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEO. H. CROSS.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt. This composition is now rung for the first time. This is the first peal of Double Norwich to be rung in the city by a band of resident members since the peal at St. Michael, Coslany, on Monday, November 1st, 1831.

SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

HARRY WISEMAN ... .. Treble	STANLEY WILDING ... .. 5
LEWIS WISEMAN ... .. 2	BERNARD PETTYT ... .. 6
HORACE COOPER ... .. 3	CECIL BARKER ... .. 7
ARTHUR WASH ... .. 4	WILLIAM CROSS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LEWIS WISEMAN.

This was rung with the bells deeply muffled for the late Miss Elizabeth Amelia Webster, who died on March 7th and was buried on March 13th. Miss Webster and her late sister gave the three new bells to make a peal of eight in this tower.

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

F. J. CULLUM, SEN. ... .. Treble	SPENCER MARSHALL ... .. 5
FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON ... .. 2	*F. J. CULLUM, JUN. ... .. 6
*HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... .. 7
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... .. 4	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. The peal was arranged and rung as a compliment to F. J. Cullum, jun., on his twenty-first birthday.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

MONKS FLEIGH, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
On Saturday, February 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob, and three of Bob Minor.

LEONARD HEAD ... .. Treble	ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. 4
ARTHUR KEEBLE ... .. 2	WILLIAM R. J. POULSON ... .. 5
FREDERICK A. POULSON ... .. 3	WILLIAM STIFF ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. STIFF.

ALDFORD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being four 720's of Oxford Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob, the 720's in each method called differently. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb.

WILLIAM SAMELES ... .. Treble	WALTER THOMAS ... .. 4
JOHN DUNNING ... .. 2	*WILLIAM THOMAS, JUN. ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 3	ALBERT E. RICHARDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. RICHARDS.

\* First peal.

SWEFFLING, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr.

GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. SMITH ... .. 4
FRANK L. FISHER ... .. 2	CHARLES E. FISHER ... .. 5
GEORGE R. FINCH ... .. 3	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

This is the first peal in seven methods on the bells, upon which a peal has not been rung for at least 40 years until now.

FILLONGLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

(THE ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, ALLESLEY.)

On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 11½ cwt. in F.

*GEORGE GARDNER ... .. Treble	CHARLES AYLETT ... .. 4
HARRY O. WHITE ... .. 2	JOHN TAYLOR ... .. 5
HUBERT SUMMERS ... .. 3	JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. W. WHITE.

The band wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells, also the tower-keeper for making the necessary arrangements. \* First peal of Minor.

SHARNBROOK, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor. Tenor 12½ cwt.

E. CHARLES ALLEN ... .. Treble	R. CHARLES ALLEN ... .. 4
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 2	ALBERT J. BARCOCK ... .. 5
GILBERT F. BELL ... .. 3	EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD P. DUFFIELD.

Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a tribute of respect to the memory of Mr. William Long Fitzpatrick, the highly-respected and esteemed churchwarden of the above parish, whose funeral service was held the same day, prior to cremation.

WHITWELL AND HACKFORD, REEPHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Sunday, March 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,  
**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's. Tenor 12½ cwt.  
SIDNEY ALLEN ... .. Treble WALTER ALLEN ... .. 4  
HORACE BEAN ... .. 2 WALTER MEDLER ... .. 5  
FREDERICK BARBER ... .. 3 WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. Tenor  
Conducted by WALTER MEDLER.  
First peal on the bells.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,  
**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**  
Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, 720 of Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720's of Bob Minor called differently.  
Tenor 10½ cwt.  
JOHN SPENCER ... .. Treble GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... .. 4  
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... .. 2 NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 5  
JOHN LARTER ... .. 3 FRANCIS W. NADNTON ... .. Tenor  
Conducted by FRANCIS W. NADNTON.

### HANDBELL PEAL.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE KING EDWARD VI. GRAMMAR SCHOOL,  
**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 21 in D.  
LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 1-2 WALTER AYRE ... .. 5-6  
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4 GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7-8  
Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.  
Witness: Mrs. PULLING. Arranged for W. Ayre, of St. Mark's College, Chelsea.

### THE COUNCIL AND ITS COMMITTEES.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—I agree with the Rev. E. S. Powell that reform of the Council might well begin with administrative control of its committees; of which hitherto there has been little or none. I have been for many years a member of the 'Literature' Committee, which (whatever may have been its past services) has of late become a byword for dilatoriness and inefficiency. For this I accept my share of responsibility; only pointing out that the Council has made no one responsible as 'convener' for getting the committees to work, nor (so far as I know) made any attempt to ascertain whether it is doing anything between one annual meeting and another. If this is the case with the Council's other committees, no wonder that complaints are heard of 'laxity or levity somewhere'; no wonder also that time and patience are wasted at the Council meetings over details that ought to have been thrashed out beforehand by committees.

I know the difficulty of calling together busy men who are widely scattered. But with proper organisation, responsibility and supervision, it may be found that after one meeting of a committee, its business could be transacted through the post. Someone, however, must be made officially responsible for this duty, and someone above must see that he does it.

St. Albans.

T. L. PAPILLON.

### THE JOHNSON COMMEMORATION DINNER.

Great success attended the 32nd Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner at Birmingham on Saturday last. The company presided over by Canon Grose Hodge, the new Rector of Birmingham, numbered over 180, and included besides the members of St. Martin's Guild, representative ringers from London, Bristol, Gloucester, Manchester, Leicester, Loughborough, Crewe, etc. A full report of the proceedings will appear in our next issue.

### A LEAP YEAR CELEBRATION.

On Sunday, February 29th, for evening service, at St. Clement Danes, Strand, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Royal: H. Belcher 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, F. G. Symonds 3, Miss G. Bateman 4, W. J. Kemp 5, C. Mayne 6, H. Burton 7, Sergt.-Major J. E. Davis, R.E., 8, M. F. R. Hibbert 9, A. D. Barker 10. Rung as a compliment to M. F. R. Hibbert, who celebrated his '7th' birthday on this date, being 32 years of age.



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## ASSOCIATIONS AND PEALS.

BY THE REV. H. DRAKE.

The practice of ringers scoring peals away from home has long been a bone of contention. It certainly does not seem to many fair that ringers, living and usually ringing in one part of the country, should go to another part, and score a peal to the credit of another Association, simply because they all happen to belong to it. This custom arose when ringing societies were few and far between; and so long as the whole country was not covered, it could hardly be arranged otherwise. Now, however, there is no reason for continuing a course which must necessarily lead to friction and jealousy. At this time, too, all records have been upset by the war, and it will be a year or two before things get into so normal a course as to make any sort of comparison very useful. Therefore, now is clearly the time, if ever, when a new rule could be made. Let us all see what is practicable; and, to begin with, I will suggest a way out of the difficulty.

For the purpose of recording peals, let the whole country be rigidly marked out into units; and let all peals be scored, so far as the yearly analysis is concerned, to the unit within whose borders it is actually rung. I would suggest that the unit be an Archdeaconry. This usually consists of between 100 and 200 parishes, and is a district comfortably worked by one secretary. Those who do not belong to the Archdeaconry could be elected members before starting, in the usual way, as at present. This method would encourage more local spirit among ringers, and would decidedly help to increase the number of ringing towers. The present system often hinders the increase of ringers.

The larger associations could go on as at present, and in their reports record peals, for their own satisfaction, which are rung by their own members. It may be thought, at first sight, that this would tend to reduce the membership of the larger associations; but it seems much more probable that anything which increased the number of ringers would also increase their membership.

Indeed these smaller societies might be affiliated to the larger ones. Already there are some societies for different Archdeaconries, and this method of working has proved its value. They can do work which would be impossible if too much ground is attempted to be covered.

In Dorset I adopted the following plan: A circular letter was sent to every incumbent, churchwarden, and captain of ringers in the district, pointing out the use of the society, even where there was only one bell, and a copy was also sent to every new incumbent. In this way we got hold of places where new bells were proposed; or suggested the idea of new bells where they would not otherwise have been thought of. A four-page leaflet was brought out containing a list of all towers where there were ringers. Their names were all printed, and starred if they belonged to the society, with a cross in addition, if they were change ringers. The day and hour of the weekly practice was recorded, together with the methods rung. If this were to be done uniformly in each of these societies—and printed, say, at the 'Ringing World' office—all these leaflets could be bound up each year or so into a most useful Ringers' Year Book. I venture to think this would do more to help the cause of ringing throughout the country than any other single effort.

The result of our 'intensive culture' of Dorset, is that there are now two flourishing societies, where at that time there was not a single band in going order.

If some such scheme as this were carried out, the Central Council might be altered to correspond. Let the existing arrangements be carried on exactly as at present; but let them discuss only scientific questions, and let them meet only in the morning. Then let a new body be constituted by letting each of the new territorial societies send one representative. This could be easily so arranged as to consist largely of the same people as the other (the present body). Let these only discuss practical questions, and let them meet in the afternoon.

In this way people who are bored stiff with scientific questions, but are keen on organisation, or vice versa, could each attend the meeting they were interested in, and avoid the other. The present arrangement, by which members are forced to attend what does not interest them in the least, while it is intensely interesting to others, must always cause complaints. The combined working of the two bodies would not be so difficult as at first sight might appear; and is in constant use with Boards of Guardians and District Councils.

At present both the small society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford, and the overgrown Midland Counties Association (to each of which I have belonged), stand on the same footing with regard to the analysis of peals. This is not good for either. It discourages the smaller societies by putting them in a hopeless position, and makes the larger associations think that they are doing very well, when probably they are not 'pulling their weight' by any means.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

A correspondent asks if there is any peal board in England which contains the names of Rector or Vicar and the two churchwardens, all honorary members of the Guild or Association, under whose auspices the peal was rung. We should think there are many such, but we may be wrong.



**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****PRESTON BRANCH MEETING.**

A very successful meeting of the Preston Branch was held at Tarleton on Saturday last, about 30 ringers attending and enjoying some good ringing on the fine new peal by Messrs. Taylor. Unfortunately none of the local band were present to welcome the visitors, and a notice on the blackboard in the ringing chamber 'to ring six bells' caused some delay. Upon examination, however, the bells were found to be all right, but the discovery was made that the 'Hastings' stay is not understood at Tarleton. Matters were soon put right by the use of the oil can, and attention to a few other details, and the bells were then raised, and were soon humming merrily to Stedman Triples, followed by touches in various other methods. The business meeting was held in the churchroom, presided over by the Vicar, who welcomed the association, and remarked that it had been a revelation to him that afternoon to hear the bells rung so well. His own ringers were not change ringers, but he hoped he would be able to secure the services of an instructor from amongst the visitors, and make a start.

Considerable discussion took place on the proposition of the Bolton Branch to alter the date of the annual meeting, and eventually a resolution was passed that the Preston Branch did not favour the alteration of the date, but was in favour of a whole day meeting in September.

Standish and Chipping were chosen as the next meeting-places, and the business terminated with a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and presiding at the meeting. Ringing was afterwards indulged in, some good practice being obtained in Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Grandsire Triples, Bob Minor and College Single.

Mr. J. R. Taylor, of Penwortham, undertook the task of instructor to the local band, and it is to be hoped that when the turn of Tarleton comes round again for a meeting there will be a promising band of change ringers instead of disciples of 'stony.'

**MEETING AT BARROW.**

The half-yearly business and ringing meeting of the Furness and Lake District Branch of the Lancashire Association was held at Barrow-in-Furness, and proved a most enjoyable reunion of members from Barrow, Ambleside, Broughton, Kirkby, Dalton, and Kendal, several lady members from Broughton also gracing the gathering. Ringing commenced by mixed bands early in the afternoon. Mr. Tom Gibbons, the secretary of the Barrow company (a very old and ardent ringer), having attained the age of 74 years the day previous. Mr. Robinson, of Ambleside, quickly got together a band to ring a birthday touch in honour of the event, and Mr. Gibbons was also the recipient of a beautiful bunch of Lenten lilies from his Broughton lady friends, presented on their behalf by Mr. Barker. The special touch consisted of 350 Grandsire Triples rung by: Tom Gibbons 1, H. Smith 2, John Burrow 3, W. Atkinson 4, W. Robinson (conductor) 5, Jas. Burrows 6, Chas. Cushing 7, E. Beach 8.

The Vicar (the Rev. E. A. Mould) presided at the business meeting held in the vestry, and extended a very hearty and cordial welcome to the ringers, on behalf of himself and the churchwardens of Barrow Broughton-in-Furness was the place appointed for the annual meeting, in September, and Milnthorpe for the quarterly ringing meeting in June. Three new members were elected.

A question was again raised by the secretary as to two additional bells being placed in the tower of the church at Hookborough, to make a ring of six.—Mr. Robinson read a letter he had received from Lord Richard Cavendish, in which he expressed his approval and support.—After discussion, it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Gibbons, that the secretary should write to his lordship, in reply to his letter, and also that copies of his lordship's letter should be sent to the Vicar and churchwardens of Hookborough, asking them to take the matter up, and saying that the association would help them all they could.

Votes of thanks were tendered by Mr. H. Smith, of Barrow, to Mr. Robinson, the secretary, for his long services, and for his very active and punctual attendance to the association's business.

The Rev. A. Partridge (a ringing member) proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for presiding, and for his encouraging and able address, and use of the bells.—This was seconded by Mr. Gibbons, and unanimously passed.

Twenty-five members sat down to a very excellent tea in the Schoolroom, the tables being presided over by several willing ladies.—Mr. Robinson proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Barrow churchwardens for their kindness in providing the tea, and also to all the ladies for their catering and attendance.—Mr. Barker of Broughton, supported the vote, which, needless to say, was cordially carried.

Mr. Gibbons entertained the company with some amusing reminiscences, and further ringing also took place, including a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by: W. Dennison 1, H. Smith 2, John Burrow 3, T. Watson 4, T. Stuart 5, Jas. Burrows 6, Chas. Cushing (cond.) 7, L. Farrington 8.

In the peal rung at Staplehurst on February 21st, the ringer of the 5th was William Wenban not Wenham as published.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****REVIVING THE NORTHERN DIVISION.**

A meeting of the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association was held at Pickering on Saturday, March 20th, and was attended by some thirty members, representing Scarborough, Thornaby, Helmsley, Saltburn, Headingley, and the local companies. Touches of Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Grandsire were rung, many of the ringers scoring their first touches on eight bells. The business meeting was held in the Schools, with the president (the Rev. C. C. Marshall) in the chair.

After the Chairman had given a brief précis of the meeting and its object, the Rev. E. Drage was elected President of the Northern Division on the motion of Mr. T. W. Robbins, seconded by G. Finch.—On the motion of Mr. J. R. Barton, seconded by Mr. G. Finch, Miss A. Henderson was elected secretary of the division, while Mr. H. Ferguson, of Scarborough, was elected as Ringing Master, on the motion of Mr. J. R. Barton, seconded by H. Gibson.

The following committee was elected: Miss I. Horner, Messrs. T. W. Robbins, G. A. Peck, J. R. Barton, and A. Coates, and power was given to the next meeting to elect three more committee members.

It was decided to hold a meeting of the Division at Scarborough on June 12th.

A short service was held in the delightful Norman Church dedicated to SS. Peter and Paul at which the Vicar of Pickering gave a hearty welcome to the visitors, and gave them most kindly words of encouragement in his address.

More ringing, and tea followed a delightful day coming all too quickly to its end, leaving memories with the visitors of a rare spirit of enthusiasm and harmonious working in this wide and scattered district and which memories give great hopes for the future. P. J. J.

**SOUTHWOLD RINGER'S DEATH.**

It is with deep regret we have to announce the death of Mr. Thos. King, who passed away at his residence on March 11th, at the age of 49 years. He served for over four years in his Majesty's Forces, but was discharged early last year as medically unfit. He obtained a situation a few weeks ago as rate collector for the waterworks, and returned from his round on Monday evening, March 8th, and went to bed with a severe attack of bronchitis and asthma, death taking place on the following Thursday.

Previous to the war Mr. King was employed by Messrs. John Garner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry. He was captain of the Southwold company for many years.

The funeral took place at Southwold on Wednesday March 17th. The bells were rung fully muffled for the funeral, and on the following evening a half-muffled peal of Bob Major was attempted as a last tribute of respect, but was unfortunately lost owing to a 'shift' in the 40th course, after 2 hrs. 45 mins. good ringing, the band being: J. Jillings 1, J. Spencer 2, J. Larter 3, G. Greenacre 4, E. Nunn 5, L. Naunton 6, N. Bailey 7, F. Naunton (conductor) 8.

The deepest sympathy of the Exercise will go out to deceased's widow and four children who are left to mourn their loss. Unfortunately Mr. King's only son had to have his leg amputated a few months ago.

On Thursday, March 18th, members of the Norwich Association from Halesworth, Chediston, and Wissett companies met at St. Andrew's Church, Wissett, and rang the bells half-muffled in touches of Kent Treble Bob, Grandsire and Plain Bob Minor, as a last mark of respect and esteem to the memory of the late Mr. Thomas King, who had been for several years a honorary performing member of the Halesworth band. The following ringers took part: Captain and Mrs. Reeves, Messrs. F. C. Lambert, J. Howard, T. Crane, L. Hammond, P. Peck, W. Warren, W. Kerrison, W. Kemp and A. Peck.

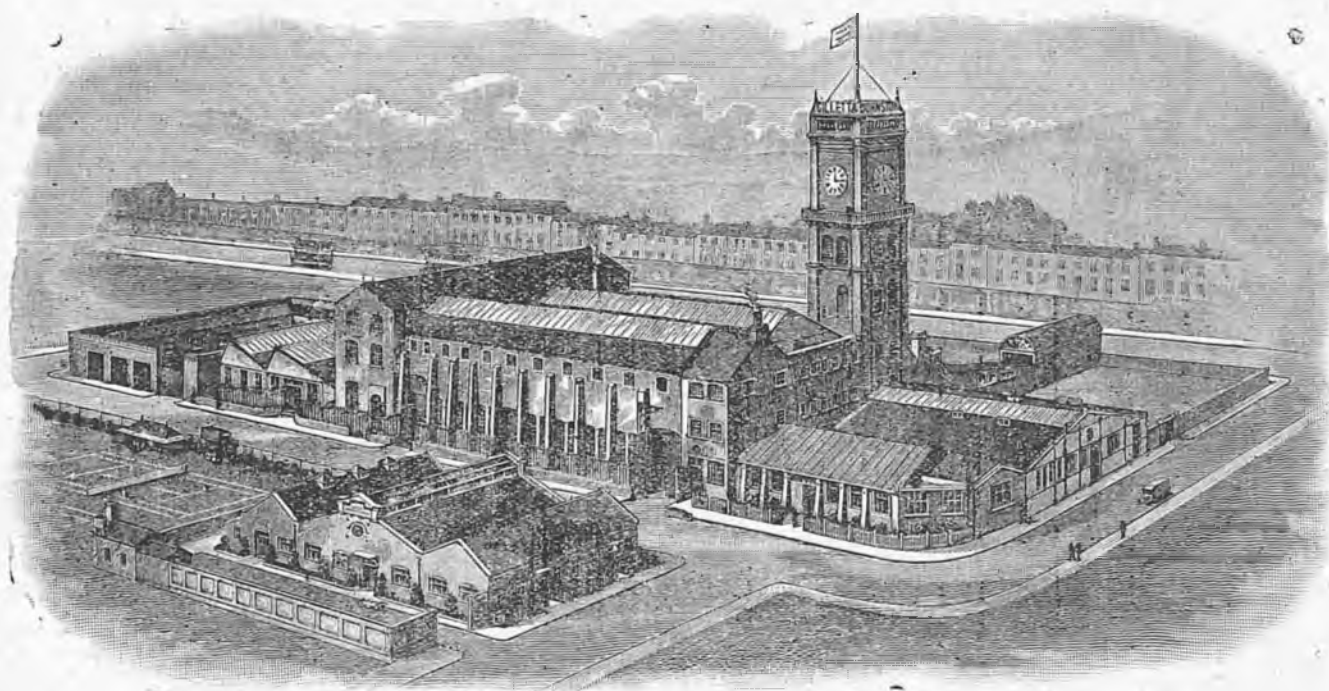
**LATE NOTICES.**

**CENTRAL NORTANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Desborough on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (6) open from 2.30. Short service conducted by the Vicar at 4.30. Tea and meeting 5. Please notify me by Tuesday, April 6th, for tea.—R. F. Turner, Hon. Dis. Sec., 160, St. Peter's Avenue, Kettering.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Est. 1637.—Meetings for practices will be held at \*St Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on April 6th, St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 15th and 29th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 20th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—Wm. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

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## NOTICES.

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**STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Biddulph on Saturday, April 3rd. Those intending to be present please notify me on or before 30th March. Bells 3 o'clock; tea 5.30 p.m.—J. Johnson, Hon. Sec., E. Steele, Assist. Sec., 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-East Branch.—A meeting will be held at Washfield (two miles from Tiverton) on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4.45. Tea in Church Room 5.15, 9d. each. Calverleigh bells also available from 2 to 4 and 6.30 to 8. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me not later April 6th?—Rev. E. V. Cox, Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A district meeting will be held at Stebbing on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Tea will be provided at 5 o'clock, 1/6 per head. Members intending to be present please notify Mr. J. T. Barker, 'Hillside,' Stebbing, not later than Tuesday, April 6th, first post.—B. Ridgwell, District Sec., Rayne, near Braintree.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (12) available at 3. Short service at 5.15, with address by the Rev. J. J. G. Stockley, M.A. (Rector).—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, April 10th, 1920. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Business: Alteration of date of the annual meetings.—J. Watson.

**SALISBURY GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Melksham on April 10th, beginning at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. Bells available all the evening.—Sydney G. Pepler, Hon. Sec., Hilperton, Trowbridge.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A meeting will be held at Rotherwick on Saturday, April 10th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 3.45. Tea at 4.30, to be followed by business meeting. Sixpence allowed for tea to those informing me not later than April 6th.—Charles D. P. Davis, Hon. Sec., Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary's Church, Witney, on Saturday, April 10th, at 3.30 p.m., to unveil two peal tablets, one recording a peal of Grand-sire Triples rung as a Peace Peal on August 9th, 1919; the other in memory of those who have fallen in the war and also recording the names of those who have served from this tower. The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master) and Mrs. Jenkyn have kindly promised to unveil the tablets. All ringers welcome.—John Monk, Hon. Branch Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at All Souls', Bolton, on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available 5 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, April

10th. Service at 5 p.m., with an address by the Vicar (Rev. G. K. 8. Marshall). Tea at a reasonable cost in the Church House at 6 p.m., followed by business meeting. A good attendance is requested, as important financial proposals will be made. Ringing arrangement as follows: Fulham, 2.30 to 5 p.m., and after the meeting; Putney, 3 to 4.45 p.m., and 8 to 9 p.m. Accommodation for tea being limited, arrangements will only be made for those who advise either of the Hon. Secs., by the first post, April 7th.—C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow, E.17, and W. H. Oram, 25, Crown Street, Harrow, Hon. Secs.

**ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting at Leatherhead on Saturday, April 17th. Tower open 3 o'clock, ringing till 9 o'clock. Business meeting at the King's Head at 6.30. Members are urgently asked to communicate with me of their intention to attend the dinner on May Day.—H. J. Bradley, School House, Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual committee meeting will be held (p.v.) in the Chapter House, Christchurch, Oxford, on Saturday, April 17th, at 3.15 p.m. As important business is on the agenda, it is hoped that all committeemen will attend, if possible.—Richard T. Hibbert, Hon. Sec.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.**—An important meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Hillingdon, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available from 3.30. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Will all who wish for tea please communicate with Miss N. Williams, 5, Hillingdon Road, Uxbridge?—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Yalding on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Short service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.45. Business meeting after. A motor bus will leave outside the S.E.R. station at 2.45 to take members there and bring them back. The secretary would be glad if all members intending being present would let him know not later than Tuesday, April 13th, and oblige.—Stephen Hayzelden, District Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Worsley, on April 17th. Dedication of a peal board at 4 p.m. Service in church immediately after by Canon Elsee, M.A. Tea in schoolroom at 5.30, 1/3 each. Ringers and friends intending being present to tea please notify Mr. P. Derbyshire, Beesley Green, Worsley, not later than Friday, April 16th.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec., 103, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Wem, Salop, on Saturday, April 24th. Ringing; tea at Temperance Hall, near church; meeting.—Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

## SITUATION WANTED.

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## EASTER MEETINGS.

**NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting will be held at Stowmarket on Easter Monday, April 5th, 1920. The President, the Very Reverend the Dean of Norwich, in the chair. The ring of eight bells of the Parish Church and the ring of six bells at Great Finborough and Barking will be available for the use of members. Committee meeting will be held at the King's Head Hotel at 12 o'clock noon, and the general meeting at 2.30 p.m. District Secretaries are kindly requested to bring this notice before their members in view of the important business to be transacted at the general meeting. Dinner will be served at the King's Head Hotel at 1.30 p.m. Tickets 3/6 each.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., 'High Croft,' North Walsham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Canterbury on Easter Monday, April 5th. Committee meeting in Choiristers' School, 1.45 p.m. Evensong at Cathedral, 3 p.m., address by Rev. Canon Gardiner. Tea at Foresters' Hall, 4.30 p.m., followed by business meeting. Towers open for ringing in morning till 2.30 p.m. and after 6 p.m.:—Cathedral (10), St. Stephen's (8), St. Alphege (6), St. Dunstan's (6) and Holy Cross (5).—Fred J. O. Helmore, Hon. Sec., Canterbury.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The April meeting will be held at Barnsley on Easter Monday, April 5th. Eight bells from 2 to 8.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will take place at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, Leeds, on Easter Monday, April 5th. Bells (8) available all day, bells of St. Michael's, Headingley (8), available from 3 p.m.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec. (*pro tem.*), 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 5th. General meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2.15 p.m. Service in the Cathedral at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m. for all who notify me before Wednesday, March 31st. Bells available: Cathedral (12) 1 to 2 p.m., All Saints' (10), St. Helen's (8), Hallow (8), St. Nicholas' (6), and St. John-in-Bedwardine (6). Subscriptions should be paid and reports obtained in St. Helen's Church House between 12 and 1 p.m.—J. R. Newman, Hon. Sec., Shepcote, Severn Stoke, Worcester.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A district meeting will be held at Brentwood on Easter Monday. Bells available at 1 p.m. Short service in St. Thomas' Church at 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in the Church House, Brentwood, at 1/- per head. The towers of Brentwood (8 bells), Shenfield (6 bells) and South Weald (6 bells) will be open to ringers at 1 o'clock.—P. Timson, Hon. District Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Southport on Easter Monday, April 5th. Bells ready at 2; service 5; meeting at 5.30.—Rev. E. C. Collier and Walter Hughes, Secs.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Swindon on Easter Monday, April 5th. The Master (Rev. M. E. Thorold) will preside. Ringing will be arranged in the morning at various churches up till 12 noon, and at Christ

Church from 6 to 8 p.m. Service at Christ Church at 12.30. Dinner at the King's Arms Hotel at 1.15, 4/6 per head. Meeting at 2 o'clock at King's Arms Hotel, followed by tea, 1/6 per head. Important business to be discussed, including Memorial, Election of Officers, and Central Council: its decisions and powers to enforce them. Information as to bells available in the morning can be obtained at the King's Arms Hotel, Wood Street.—Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Nottingham on Easter Monday, April 5th. Ringing at St. Mary's (10), St. Peter's (10), Lenton (8) and Daybrook (8) from 10 a.m. Service in St. Mary's Church 3 p.m. Committee meeting 3.30. Meat tea at 4.30 (tickets 2/6 each) at the Nottingham Co-operative Society's Hall, Parliament Street. General meeting at St. Peter's School, Broad Marsh, at 5.15.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Ringing at the Cathedral, St. Peter's, St. Michael's, and St. Stephen's from 2 p.m. Ringing can be had earlier at the Cathedral and the six-bell towers by writing to me in good time. Choral service in the Cathedral at 5 p.m., with address by the Rev. J. B. Booth, Vicar of St. Stephen's, St. Albans. Tea in the Abbey Institute at 6 p.m., followed by annual business meeting. *Post me a card not later than April 3rd if you can come, it will help tea arrangements. Don't stay away if you forget to write.* Notice of motion given by the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake: 'That this Association is of opinion that the time has come for the Central Council to have powers, other than merely deliberation.'—G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday, April 5th. St. Paul's, St. Peter's and Elstow bells available from 9 a.m. Cardington from 3 p.m. Service in St. Paul's Church 12.15. Luncheon in the Drill Hall, St. Loyes, 1 p.m., followed by business meeting. Notice has been given of proposed alterations to Rules 6, 7 and 11, and several other matters of importance to the Association will be raised. A good attendance is particularly requested.—Edward P. Duffield, Hon. General Secretary, Sharnbrook, Beds.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Bury St. Edmunds on Easter Monday, April 5th. Service at the Cathedral, Bury St. Edmunds, at 12.30, followed by lunch and business meeting at the Suffolk Hotel. The Cathedral bells (10), St. Mary's (8), Horringer (8), and Fornham St. Martin (6) will be available during the day.—A. E. Austin, Acting General Secretary, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at High Wycombe on Easter Monday, April 5th, 1920. Evensong at the Parish Church, with address by the President, Canon Eliot, at 4.30. Tea at the Church Institute at 5.15 p.m., business meeting to follow, the Master presiding. Storage for cycles. All Saints' tower open from 2 till 4 and 7 to 9, by permission of the churchwardens. The following towers are open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., by kind consent of the respective clergy, Hughenden, Beaconsfield, Wooburn and West Wycombe. Members will organise their own teams for the morning practices.



—W. H. Fussell, Hon. Sec., Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting of the Central District will be held at Ashted, Surrey, on Easter Monday. Bells available from 2 o'clock. Service in the church at 5 o'clock. Tea at Huntleys at 5.45 p.m. —Chas. Dean, Hon. Sec., 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Mid-Devon Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Totnes on Easter Monday, April 5th. Bells of the Parish Church (St. Mary's) will be available from 2 p.m. Tea and business meeting will be held in the Parish Room, Church Institute, at 4 p.m. —W. C. Wakley, Hon. Sec., Bella Vista, Teignmouth.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—Annual meeting of District at Southover, Lewes, on Easter Monday. Tower open 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 followed by the meeting. Half railway fare.—A. D. Stone, Hon. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Wisbech on Easter Monday. St. Peter's (10), Walsoken (6) and Elm (6) available during the day. Tea at 4 p.m., 1/6; meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome. —John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

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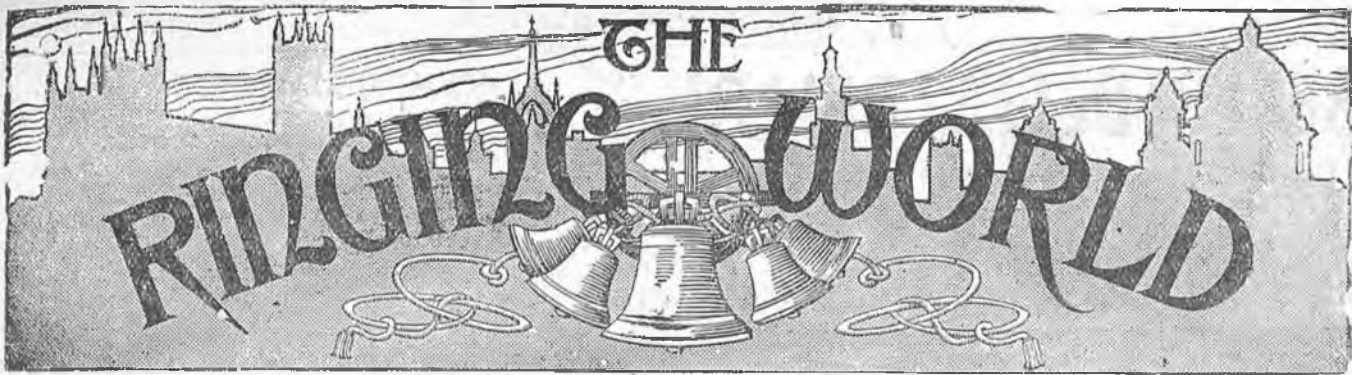
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### THE EASTER MEETINGS.

The Easter holiday is a popular one among ringing Associations for annual meetings, and this year there was the usual crop of such gatherings, all attended with much success. It is a season convenient to most ringers, and there seems a tendency more and more to concentrate upon this bank holiday for the principal meetings of the year. The choice of a date is not always a simple matter, as many Associations know, and it is certainly not to be suggested that any effort should be made to carry through all the meetings on one day, but it is a fact that Easter Monday meetings are uniformly well attended.

This year some of the Associations have found a number of important topics to discuss. Some have had seriously to overhaul their finances, for, with the increasing expenses which they are called upon to meet—the present high cost of everything reflects upon ringing associations as with other organisations—they have to find the means of increasing their income. The small annual subscription of the members, with which many Associations were content, are not sufficient in these days, and, while it may be distasteful to ringers to have to raise the amount which they should contribute, it will be found to be, in many cases, an essential action if the Associations are to maintain a sound financial position. One of the chief items in the expenditure of ringing associations is the publication of the annual report, and the rise in the cost of this is in itself a serious menace to the scanty reserves of some of the organisations. In some cases this is to be met by imposing a charge, or an increased charge, for the reports; but we believe it will in time become necessary for all those Associations whose subscriptions remain at their pre-war level to increase them, in common with the rise in prices which has to be met in practically every walk of life.

Another subject which engaged some of the Associations on Monday was the question of the future authority of the Central Council. The organisations who are affiliated have been asked to express an opinion as to whether the Council should be given compulsory powers, and divergent views found expression. On the whole, however, we gather that ringers whose opinions have been sought this week are generally against conferring such powers, largely for the reason that they can see no means of enforcing the decisions of the Council, even if the decisions arrived at were the unanimous opinion of the Council accepted by the majority of the Exercise. Until some way out of this difficulty can be found, any attempt at compulsory legislation seems idle. On the other hand, there are some who would not entrust compulsory powers to the Council, and between these two sections there does not appear much chance of carrying the thing through.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

WALTHAM, ESSEX.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPILLARS, 5043 CHANCES;**

Tenor 40 cwt.	
ALAN R. MACDONALD ... .. 2	WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 6
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON ... .. 7
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 3	WILLIAM SABAN ... .. 8
CHARLES HARE ... .. 4	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. 9
GEORGE RADLEY ... .. 5	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. CHARGE. Conducted by J. THOMAS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to A. R. Macdonald.

CROYDON, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 30 cwt.	
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 2	CHARLES DEAN ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... .. 8
WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 4	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 9
REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

This is the first peal of Cambridge Royal rung in the county, and by the above Association. It is also the first by the ringer of the sixth. The band wish to thank Mr. C. F. Johnston for his kindness and hospitality, both before and after the peal, and for the pleasant time spent in the Foundry.

STEPNEY, E.  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON, STEPNEY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPILLARS, 5007 CHANCES;**

Tenor 32 cwt.	
FRANK BALL ... .. 2	WILLIAM S. LANGDON ... .. 6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 2	BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON ... .. 7
EDWARD WALLAGE ... .. 3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. 8
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 4	EMANUEL HALL ... .. 9
JAMES SCHOLES ... .. 5	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

A farewell peal to Mr. E. Hall, who sailed for Toronto by the s.s. 'Scandinavian,' on March 30th.

BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.	
*ERNEST BOYLIN ... .. 2	*JOHN J. JEFFRIES ... .. 6
*GEORGE GARRISON ... .. 2	*WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 7
*WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 3	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 8
*WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... .. 4	GORDON CHECKETTS ... .. 9
*GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... .. 5	GEORGE PIGOTT ... .. Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by GEORGE PIGOTT.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Royal.

NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT.—At St. Thomas's Church, on Feb. 19th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48½ mins.: W. Johnson 1, W. Chambers 2, H. Phillips 3, T. Seamell 4, A. Callaway (first quarter-peal as conductor) 5, W. Scott, Jun. 6, W. Upton 7, J. Leal 8. Rung to commemorate the return of T. Seamell, late London Scottish, from active service.

NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.—Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Association.—On Feb. 29th, for evening service, at the Church of St. James, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: G. Butcher 1, H. Beardsaw 2, \*B. Shaw 3, F. Allen 4, G. H. Smith 5, \*A. P. Nights 6, W. Biggin (conductor) 7, T. E. Lee 8. \* First quarter-peal.



**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

**SEELY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**  
 (NORTHERN BRANCH.)

*On Thursday, March 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

CARTER'S No. 17.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.

JAMES DOWLER ... .. Treble	ERNEST BOYLIN ... .. 5
JOHN EATON ... .. 2	WILLIAM IRIN ... .. 6
WILLIAM CARTWRIGHT ... 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
WILFRED MUMFORD ... .. 4	*HERBERT J. DOWLER ... Tenor

Composed by SAMUEL GROVE.

This composition is now rung for the first time. First peal of Stedman Triples to be rung at Seely Oak by all local-born ringers.

\* First peal.

**EPSOM, SURREY.**  
**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, March 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,*  
 AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

MISS V. SHORTER ... .. Treble	F. G. WOODISS ... .. 5
J. BEAMS ... .. 2	A. J. TRAPPEY ... .. 6
R. LATHBURY ... .. 3	AMOS CLARK ... .. 7
G. MARRINER ... .. 4	C. READ ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by R. LATHBURY.

This was rung to welcome home the Vicar (Rev. Bowles) on his recovery from an illness.

**SWANSCOMBE, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,*  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

JOHN AVIS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK HAYES ... .. 5
RICHARD SMITH ... .. 2	GEORGE MORRAD ... .. 6
ARTHUR H. PALMER ... .. 3	WILLIAM HARPER ... .. 7
JOHN BURLS ... .. 4	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by FREDERICK M. MITCHELL.

First peal by F. M. Mitchell as conductor on eight bells. Rung as a compliment to Richard Smith on his silver wedding.

**PULFORD, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
 (CHESTER BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

EDWARD HARRISON ... .. Treble	MARTIN HARRIS ... .. 5
GEORGE JONES ... .. 2	GEORGE JONES ... .. 6
JOHN W. DAVIES ... .. 3	GILBERT GERRARD ... .. 7
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 4	FRANK FOX ... .. Tenor

Composed by ROBERT SPERRING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to F. Fox.

**BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
 (NORTHERN BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 6088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. Treble	JOHN SMITH ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 2	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... 6
ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
JOHN BASS ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by S. GROVE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

**BOREHAM, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 13 cwt. 19 lb. in F.

ARTHUR EDWARDS ... .. Treble	HENRY W. KIRTON ... .. 5
† HIRZEL EDWARDS ... .. 2	PERCY TIMSON ... .. 6
* REGINALD C. THRIFT ... 3	EDWARD P. BECKINGHAM ... 7
† WILLIAM F. ALLEN ... .. 4	JOSEPH ROOT ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by ARTHUR EDWARDS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Treble Bob. This peal was rung on the completion of a War Memorial, erected in the Parish Church, for the fallen in the war. Four ex-service men (Messrs. Edwards, Thrift, Kirton and Buckingham) took part, three of whom joined up from the local company.

**DENHOLME, NEAR BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.**

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JAMES COTTERELL ... .. Treble	* EDWIN RAWNSLEY ... .. 5
* WILLIAM FOSTER ... .. 2	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 6
JOHN WM. CUNDALL ... .. 3	* VERNEY BAIRSTOW ... .. 7
* BOOTH HOLMES ... .. 4	* GEORGE DENNY, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN.

Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells for 26 years. They were rehung by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank recently.

**BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.**

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt. in E flat.

CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 5
WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 2	JAMES BLACKMORE ... .. 6
GEORGE MARTIN ... .. 3	RICHARD BUCKLAND ... .. 7
HARRY COX ... .. 4	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

The Rector kindly omitted the usual Evensong for this attempt. It is the first Surprise peal by the branch since War was declared. The band spent the rest of the evening at Windsor End, where tea was prepared for them by Mrs. R. Buckland.

**WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.**

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Monday, March 22, 1920, in Three Hours,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

* ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. Treble	* WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 6
JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... 7
JAMES E. GOFTON ... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by J. A. GOFTON.

\* First peal of Bristol.

**CODDENHAM, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tuesday, March 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in F sharp.

SGT. JAMES BENNETT, R.M. Treble	GEORGE FARNISH ... .. 5
ALBERT FLEMING ... .. 2	GEORGE FLEMING ... .. 6
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	WILLIAM BURGESS ... .. 7
GEORGE BENNETT ... .. 4	WILLIAM T. LAST ... .. Tenor

Composed HENRY DAINS. Conducted by W. T. LAST.

## SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS THE MARTYR,  
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

## VICARS'.

Tenor 13 cwt.

*THOMAS STEPHENSON ... Treble	ROBERT WALKER... .. 5
GEORGE S. TAYLOR... .. 2	JOSEPH W. PARKER... .. 6
CHARLES W. KING... .. 3	ROBERT L. PATTERSON... .. 7
MICHAEL F. HARRISON... .. 4	THOMAS H. NAISBY... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. W. PARKER.

\*First peal. Mr. C. W. King is from Goole, and was elected a member of the Association prior to starting for the peal.

## BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM LYDDIARD... .. Treble	WILLIAM GRACE... .. 5
*GEORGE HASNIP... .. 2	*JAMES E. KEEP... .. 6
GEORGE F. JAMES... .. 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 7
GEORGE DURLING... .. 4	PERCY J. SPICE... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE.

\* First peal.

## BIRMINGHAM.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Friday, March 26, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, DERITEND.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

MRS. R. J. WILKINS... .. Treble	*ERNEST MANSELL... .. 5
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS... .. 2	ALBERT E. NORMAN... .. 6
GEORGE F. SWANN... .. 3	JOHN NEAL... .. 7
MORRIS J. MORRIS... .. 4	ARTHUR E. WILKINS... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples. Arranged for the ringers of the Treble and Tenor, who hail from Bristol.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

EASTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. KYNE BURGH.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

H. B. FITZJOHN... .. Treble	WALTER CROSS... .. 4
ANNIE PARKINS... .. 2	FRANK ROWLINSON... .. 5
JOHN J. JUTSON... .. 3	TOM TEBBUTT... .. Tenor

Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

## CHIPSTABLE SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES:

Tenor about 8 cwt.

*E. SMITH... .. Treble	W. COMINS... .. 4
G. JONES... .. 2	A. TOUT... .. 5
F. POLE... .. 3	A. C. SMITH... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. TOUT.

\*First peal. First peal on the bells.

BIRMINGHAM.—On March 18th, at St. Martin's Church, 1,311 Stedman Cinques, specially arranged for the Rev. L. Edwards, Kingston Magna, Dorset, hon. secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild: T. Russam 1, A. Scrivens 2, A. Norman 3, T. Reeves 4, J. Neal 5, M. J. Morris 6, Rev. L. Edwards 7, A. P. Smith 8, E. Mansell 9, W. Kent 10, J. L. Wells 11, A. Walker (conductor) 12.

## ASHBOCKING, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Court and Cambridge Surprise, two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and 720 of Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt. in A.

GEORGE FARNISH... .. Treble	GEORGE BENNETT... .. 4
ALBERT FLEMING... .. 2	SGT. JAMES BENNETT, R.M. 5
WILLIAM BURGESS... .. 3	*WILLIAM T. LAST... .. Tenor

Conducted by SGT. J. BENNETT, Royal Marines.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as Conductor. Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the 4th, on the anniversary of his birthday.

## SEAL CHART, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

42 Six-score.

Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

†FREDERICK G. PHYALL... .. Treble	JOHN P. COX... .. 4
*ERNEST G. SAXBY... .. 2	WILLIAM WENBAN... .. 5
ARTHUR WENBAN... .. 3	†GEORGE A. J. BURR... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. WENBAN.

† First peal. \* First peal on a Bob bell. First peal of Doubles by 2nd, 3rd and 5th. First peal of Grandsire Doubles on the bells.

## MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 27, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF SS. PETER & PAUL,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE &amp; TREBLE BOB MIK'ER 5040 CHANCES;

Being two 720's of Cambridge Surprise, one of Woodbine, and two each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, each called differently.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

JOHN AVIS... .. Treble	GEORGE MORRAD... .. 4
*LESLIE BECKETT... .. 2	ARTHUR H. PALMER... .. 5
FREDERICK HAYES... .. 3	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK M. MITCHELL.

\* First peal. First peal of Treble Bob Minor on the bells, and by all the band, and rung at the first attempt. Specially arranged as a birthday compliment to the President of the Milton Band (the Rev. G. W. Mennie, M.A.), and the youngest member, Fred Mitchell, jun., elder son of the conductor.

## BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt.

HENRY PUTTOCK... .. Treble	GEORGE R. FINCH... .. 4
*GEORGE M. GREENACRE... .. 2	CHARLES E. FISHER... .. 5
FRANK L. FISHER... .. 3	NORMAN R. BAILEY... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

\* First peal in seven methods with a Bob bell.

## DESBOROUGH.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Comprising seven differently arranged extents. Tenor 10 cwt.

*MISS ADA DEACON... .. Treble	E. MAURICE ATKINS... .. 4
*EDWARD SPARKS... .. 2	ALFRED TAILBY... .. 5
*HAROLD TAILBY... .. 3	SAMUEL BURDETT... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. MAURICE ATKINS.

\* First peal. All except the conductor belong to the local company.

RENHOLD, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 30 six-score of Grandsire and 12 six-score of Bob Doubles.  
\*STANLEY G. HARLOW ... *Treble* | HERBERT L. HARLOW ... 3  
†THOMAS BARTRAM ... 2 | RICHARD KENDALL ... 4  
EDWARD WHITE ... *Tenor*  
Conducted by H. L. HARLOW.

First peal of Doubles by 4th and 5th. First peal on the bells. The village in which this peal was rung was the birthplace of the conductor, and where he first learnt to ring. \* First peal. † First peal with a Bob bell.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

EDMONTON,  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT 128, HERTFORD ROAD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

WALTER J. BOWDEN ... 1-2 | JOHN THOMAS ... 5-6  
WILBY J. HAZELL ... 3-4 | EDWARD T. KING ... 7-8  
Conducted by J. THOMAS. Witness Mrs. J. THOMAS.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, March 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT 1, CARLTON STREET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

ALBERT J. INNS ... 1-2 | CECIL CHAPMAN ... 5-6  
DAVID J. NICHOLS ... 3-4 | FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT 7-8

Composed by FRANK BENNETT.  
Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

First peal on an inside pair by Cecil Chapman.

**BREASTON CHURCH BELLS DEDICATION.**

On Saturday, March 20th, the Rev. Canon Field, Vicar of St. Mary's, Nottingham, in the absence of the Rural Dean (the Rev. A. W. Bell), through illness, dedicated the three new bells which have been added to the three existing ones at Breaston, making a peal of six. The bells come from the foundry of Messrs. Meers and Stainbank, of White-chapel, who have also put in a new steel frame, recast one of the old bells, and tuned the other two.

A large congregation filled St. Michael's Church on Saturday week, including many ringers from the neighbourhood.

After the dedication the bells were rung by the Stanton ringers who also rang touches later: E. Scattergood, F. Tansley, H. Fawcett, H. Doar, F. Sisson, W. Bower and L. Smith.

The new bells are the gifts respectively of Mrs. and Miss Watson, in memory of Captain Thomas Palmer Watson, and Mr. George A. Perks in memory of the work of the V.A.D.'s, while the cost of the frame, etc., has been borne by the congregation, the total cost being £518.

The Rector (the Rev. Bingley Cass) expressed the gratification of all who have had the pleasure of hearing the new bells, both with their richness of tone, and the harmony with which the whole peal blend.

**DATE TOUCHES.**

At Perry Barr, Staffordshire, on February 22nd, at the Parish Church, for evening service, 1,920 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. and 10 mins., by M. Read 1, W. Cooper, junr., 2, R. Ingram 3, J. Carter (composer and conductor) 4, G. Mitchison 5, C. Davies 6, J. T. Risworth 7, H. Cook 8. The composer has the 6 and 7 together throughout, and is the longest touch ever rung with the 6 and 7 in these positions.

A date touch of Bob Major was rung on February 24th in 1hr. 10 mins., at the Parish Church, Cuckfield, Sussex, by: C. Starley 1, C. Stephenson 3, S. H. Green 4, G. Apps 5, T. Gasson 6, E. Davey (composer) 7, F. Attwater (conductor) 8. The ringers of 1, 5, 6 and 7 hail from Bolney, and all are members of the Sussex County Association.

On Wednesday, Feb. 25th, a date touch of 1920 changes was rung at St. Mary's Church, Penwortham, Preston, by the local ringers, in 65 mins., comprising 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, 360 of Bob Minor, and 120 of College Single: S. Robinson 1, J. Burgess 2, W. Taylor (conductor) 3, J. R. Taylor 4, V. Martin 5, J. Gornall 6. The ringers of 1, 2, 3, 5 were demobilised during 1919, having served overseas, and have now taken up their places in the belfry, where it is hoped they will make good progress, and help to augment the local records.

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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

A new chime of eight bells (tenor 7½ cwt.), which Messrs. Taylor and Co. are now hanging in the tower of St. Barnabas Church, Swefffield, is to be dedicated on the afternoon of Sunday, May 16th.

In answer to the question as to whether there has been a peal rung at Swefffield, Suffolk, Mr. T. E. Slater writes to say that a peal of Doubles was rung there in 1884, and is recorded in the Norwich Association Report. It may also interest the band to know that a 7,080 of Doubles has been rung at Wrentham.

As a mark of esteem and appreciation, the members of the Llanishen band have presented a case of brushes to Mr. J. W. Jones (hon. secretary of the Llandaff Diocesan Association) in recognition of his kindness and tireless energy in instructing the company in Grandsire Doubles.

Mr. Tom Russam has attended the Johnson dinner ever since its inception, a record which can be claimed, we believe, by no other man.

It is reported that Mr. Harry Withers will 'positively appear' at the next Johnson dinner. He disappointed many friends by his absence from the programme the other day.

### ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

The following are the names received so far for the roll of honour. As it has been decided to start the work, any members' names who do not appear on the list, or any mistakes in description, should be communicated to the hon. secretary, Mr. H. J. Bradley, School House, Willesden Lane, N.W.6, at once: Austin, C. H., Corpl. C.G.; Armstrong J.; Anstead, S., R.F.A.; Black, G. A.; Bennett, J.; R.M.L.I.; Brough, R., Corpl. R.A.F.; Buckland, R.; Butler, W. E.; Coles, C. T., Sapper, R.E.; Oullurn, T. J., R.N.; Coles, E. R.; Deacy, H. J., R.A.M.C. (drowned); Dell, Chas. (killed); Fletcher; Harris, F., R.N.A.S.; Holden, F. H., Sergt. R.M.L.I.; Hardy, A. N. (late steward); Hooper, E. T.; King, T., Rifle Brigade; Lee, W. C., Suffolk (killed); Matthews, C. J., Corpl. E. Surreys; Pye, A., Sergt.-Major R.F.A.; Pye, L. A., R.F.A.; Pilling, A. E., Sergt. R.G.A.; Runham R., R.F.C.; Stubbs, H. C., R. Fusiliers (killed); Sheppard, Rev. H. R. L.; Stilwell, L.; Warner, A., Q.V.R. (killed); Young, R. H.

### RAWTENSTALL'S NEW PEAL TABLET.

An interesting event took place in the belfry of St. Mary's Church, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, March 20th, when a unique form of peal record was unveiled. Mr. John Smith, of Blackpool, one of the original ringers, performed the unveiling ceremony, and related interesting reminiscences of the happy times spent in the tower. Mr. Smith was leader of the ringers when the bells were opened, on December 20th, 1888, and had the difficult task of teaching the new band to master the art of change ringing.

The tablet is in the form of an ornamental oak easement, with a glass panel door at the front. The peals are recorded on white embossed cards, and fixed on a dark navy background of velvet, which gives a very pleasing and pretty effect. The records of ten peals are placed in the frame, and with a rearrangement of the cards, room can be made for many more. The whole of the peals rung in former years by local ringers are recorded, and include many first peals in different methods by the men who took part in them. Perhaps the best record is the 'Peace peal' of Stedman Triples rung on Nov. 8th, 1919. This was the first peal in that method by all the band.

Mr. J. H. Banks, ringing secretary of the Lancashire Association, congratulated the local ringers on the unique form of recording peal ringing, and ventured to assert that the method adopted in the tower would become general, especially in towers where the wall space was very limited.

The work in connection with the making and fixing of the tablet was carried out by Mr. Thos. Collings, one of the local ringers, and he was highly complimented on its artistic finish.

There was a good muster of ringers present, along with the clergy, churchwardens and sidesmen, and many well struck touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Treble Bob were rung before and after the event.

### THE LATE BISHOP OF ST. ALBANS.

At the Parish Church, Luton, on March 29th, with bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung in 50 mins. in memory of the late Bishop of St. Albans: A. King 1, H. Walker 2, T. Blackburn 3, T. Kendall 4, W. Payne 5, B. Wilson 6, L. A. Good-enough (conductor) 7, A. Rockwood 8. It was also rung as a token of respect to the memory of the late Mr. W. A. Boutwood, a sidesman, who was interred in the church cemetery on the same day.

**ISLEWORTH.**—At All Saints', on March 7th, for evening service, 1,386 Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: J. Pedrick 1, F. G. Woodiss 2, Miss P. Shorter 3, F. Goddard 4, C. Read 5, G. Spencer 6, R. Lathbury (conductor) 7, F. Laver 8.



## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

### THE HENRY JOHNSON COMMEMORATION DINNER.

As already briefly reported, the 32nd annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner was held at Birmingham on March 27th, at the Imperial Hotel, and was attended by a company of over 180, a record number. The chair was taken by the new Rector of Birmingham (Canon Gorse Hodge), who was supported by the Rector of Solihull, Sir Edward Malins (churchwarden of St. Philip's Cathedral), Mr. J. Kendal (churchwarden of St. Martin's), and the following officers of the Guild: Vice-Presidents, W. H. Godden, T. Russam, J. Carter, W. Kent and J. H. Shepherd; J. E. Groves (Deputy Ringing Master), Mr. A. Paddon Smith (hon. secretary), Mr. C. Dickens (trustee), Messrs. J. L. Wells and G. F. Swann (auditors), Councillor Houlston (churchwarden of Erdington), and Mrs. Houlston, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Goldsmith, Mr. Harry Mason (past Master of the Dudley Guild), Mr. E. Denison Taylor (Loughborough), Mr. A. A. Hughes (Whitechapel Foundry), Mr. C. Dean (representing Messrs. Gillett and Johnston), Mr. C. H. Horton (Master of the College Youths), Mr. J. George (past Master of the Warwickshire Guild), Mr. and Mrs. H. Chapman (Manchester), Mr. H. Knight (hon. secretary of the Archdeaconry of Stafford Society), Mr. E. Horrex (London), Mr. W. Willson (Leicester), Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wilkins (Bristol), Mr. J. Austin (Gloucester), Mr. E. A. Young, Mr. F. E. Dawe, Mr. E. F. Pike (London), Mr. H. W. Wilde (Wrexham), Miss S. Pigott (Ladies' Guild), Mr. and Mrs. A. Trippier (Manchester), etc.

An excellent repast was served, at the conclusion of which the loyal toast was cordially honoured, and Mr. A. Paddon Smith announced that apologies for absence had been received from Alderman Pritchett (who was in bed with an attack of lumbago), Mr. A. E. Parsons, Master of the Worcestershire Association (who was prevented from attending by the death of his mother), Mr. J. Roskell, Mr. John Buffery (the oldest member of the Guild in point of membership), Mr. C. J. Bowen Cooke (Master of the Chester Diocesan Guild), Mr. Arnold Butler, and Mr. Wm. Cheshire.

Sir Edward Malins proposed the toast of 'Church and State.' He remarked that the constitution of the Church had never for hundreds of years past come to such a crisis in its existence as it had done by the recent legislation affecting its functions and its powers. The Church of England Enabling Act, which had just been passed, altered the constitution, altered the character and altered the status of the Church's proceedings and those connected with it. Dr. Malins briefly traced the evolution of the Church's powers through the centuries, and said the new Enabling Act would enable the Church to enter upon a line of progress hitherto unknown to it, and unhampered by the contradictory conditions of the past.

### A NEW EXPERIENCE.

The Chairman, whose name was coupled with the toast, said how exceedingly pleased he was to be present that evening. It was one of the new experiences that had crowded on him during the last four months, and he had already seen enough to find that it was one of the most pleasant (applause). He had heard and seen them at their work, and he valued very highly the connection of St. Martin's Guild with their great church. He knew very well that he owed the Guild a great deal, and he hoped that some day Birmingham might come to believe that it owed them a great deal, too. When first it was mooted to him that he should come to Birmingham he did not want to do so, for he was very happy in his work in the little place which they in Birmingham did not think much of—London (laughter). It was a little difficult to face the uprooting at any time, and so he looked about for reasons why he should not go to Birmingham. Instead of this he got thrust upon him a very large number of reasons why he should. Gradually it seemed to him as if it were a call too serious to be refused, and he began to look round to see if there were any solid reasons why he should go, and, among the reasons why it was an opportunity that should be jumped at, it was urged both by the Bishop of the Diocese and by their late Rector, Canon Willink, that they had one of the most magnificent peals of bells in England, and the finest Guild of bell ringers anywhere (applause). That, of course, was irresistible, and was among other arguments that drew him to Birmingham. He was grateful for the arguments which had prevailed, for he had spent four exceedingly happy months with them and he was grateful for the fellowship which had helped to make those months happy. Having referred to the origin of the Ancient Guilds, the Chairman remarked that St. Martin's Guild was founded nearly 160 years ago, and had been going on ever since, as was shown by the records enshrined by their beautiful book which it was a treat to look at, and pursuing a course wholly beneficent and making for harmony among them all. In briefly surveying the history of the uses of bells, Canon Hodge said one thing had passed away which he vainly wished might remain with them. There was a blessed time when at eight o'clock every night the curfew bell used to sound when everybody had to put out his light and go to bed (laughter). What a blessed thing it would be if only they could have that custom back (laughter and applause) instead of scrambling through their work in order to get to bed before twelve o'clock! (hear,

hear, and laughter). The ringers could not bring back that time, but many kindly things they did do. They did not now refuse to allow bells to be rung by people who did not think exactly like themselves. It was not very long since no dissenting place of worship was allowed to have a bell at all. Many things of that kind were laid down by public opinion—not by any definite legislation. In these days they took a wider view, and when he had been into a belfry he had found a brotherhood there which was really felt by them all. He was glad to see how wide their relations were. There were men from a wide circle; there were men from villages which he knew, and others of which he had heard and hoped to know some day, and he found before him not only strength and intellect, but grace and beauty (applause). It was a very happy thing that they were able to gather together as they had done that evening, and he hoped St. Martin's Guild would continue to grow and flourish and ever make for the harmony, without which life would be a poor thing indeed (applause).

The following telegram was received from the late Rector, the present Dean of Norwich: 'I send you my heartiest greetings, and wish very much I could be with you. May your gathering be most successful.—Dean of Norwich.' The reading of the message was received with loud applause.

### HENRY JOHNSON.

The toast of the evening, 'The Memory of Henry Johnson,' was submitted by Mr. W. H. Godden, one of the few surviving friends of the old Birmingham worthy. That was, he said, the 32nd anniversary dinner of that kind, and it was almost impossible to tell them anything that they had not already heard about the late Henry Johnson but there was one thing that struck him in connection with the various speeches he had heard, and that was that too little had been made of his social character. Now, Henry Johnson, although such a very scientific man in change ringing, was also a very sociable man, and those who knew him were always glad to be in his company, to hear his remarks, and listen to the many tales he had to tell, for he was a big reader. He was a man of sympathy and kindness, and that was one thing that made Mr. Johnson so dear to them all in his lifetime. He was a great example to them all. He would like to protest against anyone, as they had sometimes heard, putting atrocious grammar into his mouth (hear, hear). He was a man well versed in the three R's, and it would have been almost impossible for him to have used the bad grammar he had heard recounted of him (hear, hear).

The toast was honoured in silence.

Mr. J. Kendal, in the absence of Alderman Pritchett, proposed 'Continued prosperity to St. Martin's Guild.' He said the Rector had told them he had had experience of the ringers for four months. He (the speaker) had the pleasure of hearing the bells rung before the Rector was born. He could remember the bells of St. Martin's more than 60 years ago, and it was always a great pleasure to listen to them. There was one thing in which, he thought their parish church ringers were scarcely up to date. There were lady ringers connected with St. Martin's Guild, but unfortunately there were no ladies connected with the parish church. He hoped they would take that as a hint and bring the company up to date. The bells of the parish church of Birmingham had been ringing regularly for 165 years on Tuesday evenings almost without a break. Unfortunately they had a break recently when the Rector inadvertently arranged a service in the church on one Tuesday evening, and consequently the bells could not be rung. He believed the ringers now had an assurance that the Rector would be careful in future and make his appointments so that that they would not clash with the weekly practice (laughter and applause).

Mr. A. Paddon Smith, whose name was coupled with the toast, said if he had been able to do anything that met with their approval it had been not through his humble efforts, but because of the loyal co-operation of every single member of the Guild. They had had no setbacks, and it helped one immensely in organising anything of that kind when they had, as he had, not only the loyal co-operation of the ringers, but also, in a great measure, the loyalty of the choir-men (applause). Mr. Smith added that not only were the choir-men giving them their services without fee, but they had refused an engagement for which they would have got a good fee, simply to come there and do their little bit (applause).

### 'KINDRED SOCIETIES.'

Mr. Smith afterwards proposed 'Kindred Societies.' They had, he said, quite a number of representatives present from other ringing societies all over the country. First and foremost, there was Mr. C. H. Horton, Master of the Ancient Society of the College Youths, one of the premier ringing societies of the country with a great reputation, in the main for 12-bell ringing. Of course, with practice, they could ring Major like some Birmingham ringers (laughter), but their great forte was twelve-bell ringing. With Mr. Horton was an old friend they were always pleased to see, dear old 'Teddy' Horrex (applause). Mr. Horrex was the father of the College Youths, and it took more to be the father than the Master (laughter and applause).

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He would like publicly to congratulate Mr. Horrex upon ringing the treble in a peal of Treble Bob-Maximus at Cornhill Church recently on his 82nd birthday. He had no doubt it was a magnificently struck peal. He (the speaker) had rung with these men. It had been his privilege to meet them fairly frequently in the belfry of St. Paul's Cathedral, and it was a pleasure to see and hear Mr. Horrex ring the treble there—and it was no 'kid's' job. The way he rang and struck his bell was simply marvellous, and there were many men half his age who could not do it, and would never be able to do it. Young ringers looking forward to their career should go next morning to St. Martin's to see Mr. Horrex ring and take notice (applause). Among others who were with them that night were Mr. Harry Chapman of Manchester, and a number of other ringers representing the Lancashire Association. There was also Mr. John Austin, a former Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins, of Bristol. Mrs. Wilkins had the evening before rung a peal of Stedman at St. John's Church—no kid's job, either (applause). Others present were Mr. Wilde, of Wrexham, representing the Chester Guild, and seven or eight members of that Guild from Crowe; Mr. Herbert Knight, hon. secretary of the Staffordshire Association; Mr. Harry Mason, of the Dudley Guild; Mr. Wm. Willson and friends from Leicester, representing the Midland Counties Association; Mr. Walton, of Irthlingborough; and many members of the Ladies' Guild. They had with them representatives of three of the largest bell foundries in this country, one representing the largest in the world, Mr. Denison Taylor, of Loughborough; Mr. Albert Hughes, representing the oldest bell foundry in the world, and Mr. Dean, secretary of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston's. If it was possible for one of them to go back to the foundry with an order for a heavy peal of twelve for Birmingham Cathedral everyone in that room would be very pleased (applause). He did not say it was possible for the order to be written out that night, and there might be some doubt as to its being done on the morrow. It might never be done at all, but they did not accept 'never.' They were glad to have with them such a distinguished gentleman as Sir Edward Malins, who was churchwarden of the Cathedral—in fact, he was St. Philip's (laughter)—and he suggested that the bell foundry get help of Sir Edward Malins and talk to him seriously about the deficiencies of the bells (laughter and applause).

(To be continued.)

### SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 27th, the annual meeting of the Western Division was held at Steyning. Mr. E. C. Merritt presided over the business proceedings, and Mr. A. W. Groves was again elected as divisional secretary, and Messrs. G. Norris, P. Doick and B. Challen were elected to serve on the committee. Messrs. J. Burdfield, W. Charman and T. Burtenshaw were appointed as committee of advice.

The following new members were elected, viz.: Messrs. T. Branch, G. Branch and A. Charman, of Warnham; Rev. A. De H. Robinson (Vicar), Mr. R. J. Markwick and Mr. T. A. Warren (churchwardens), F. Haylor, W. Martin, S. Haffenden, A. Baker, G. Greenyer and A. Pink, of Goring.

It is proposed to hold the next quarterly meeting at Warnham in June next.

The 28 members present were from Angmering, Goring, Heene, Shoreham, Aldrington, Brighton, Warnham, Billingshurst, Pulborough, Henfield, and several members of the local band. Some very good touches were brought home in the following methods:—Grand sire, Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise.

A vote of thanks was proposed by the secretary to the Vicar for granting the use of the bells, and to Mr. Merritt for presiding.

The members were gratified to hear from Mr. J. Burdfield that the Billingshurst bells are shortly to be thoroughly overhauled.

### DEATH OF A CUMBERLAND YOUTH.

It is with deep regret that we record the death of Mr. William J. Miles, at the comparatively early age of 47 years. Having joined the army in 1917, he was soon serving in France, and there it was that, through exposure, he contracted the disease that has now ended fatally. Since being demobilised he has been a great sufferer, and passed peacefully away on March 12th.

Coming to London from Hertfordshire, Mr. Miles joined the Royal Cumberland Youths in 1896. His ringing, however, was chiefly confined to the churches in North London, and he was a member of two companies at St. Stephen, Hampstead; St. Anne's, Highgate; and St. Martin's, Gospel Oak. He had rung several peals in the two first-named churches, and his genial presence will be sorely missed by all his brother ringers.

At St. Martin's, Gospel Oak, the 'whole pull and stand,' and touches of Minor were rung with the bells muffled as a token of esteem and remembrance, by: R. Bevan, E. Bonfield, C. Pryor, E. Turle, E. Young, W. J. Norton, A. Harwin, H. Watson, and Miss Kitty Smith.

A peal of Kent Treble Bob Major was also rung at St. Anne's, Highgate.

## NOTICES.

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THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading will in future be at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.—North-East Branch.—A meeting will be held at Washfield (two miles from Tiverton) on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4.45. Tea in Church Room 5.15, 9d. each. Calverleigh bells also available from 2 to 4 and 6.30 to 8.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—A district meeting will be held at Stebbing on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Tea will be provided at 5 o'clock, 1/6 per head.—B. Ridgwell, District Sec., Rayne, near Braintree.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (12) available at 3. Short service at 5.15, with address by the Rev. J. J. G. Stockley, M.A. (Rector).—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, April 10th, 1920. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Business: Alteration of date of the annual meetings.—J. Watson.

SALISBURY GUILD.—Devizes Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Melksham on April 10th, beginning at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. Bells available all the evening.—Sydney G. Pepler, Hon. Sec., Hilperton, Trowbridge.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—A meeting will be held at Rotherwick on Saturday, April 10th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 3.45. Tea at 4.30, to be followed by business meeting.—Charles D. P. Davis, Hon. Sec., Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary's Church, Witney, on Saturday, April 10th, at 3.30 p.m., to unveil two peal tablets, one recording a peal of Grand sire Triples rung as a Peace Peal on August 9th, 1919; the other in memory of those who have fallen in the war, and also recording the names of those who have served from this tower. The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master) and Mrs. Jenkyn have kindly promised to unveil the tablets. All ringers welcome.—John Monk, Hon. Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at All Souls', Bolton, on Saturday, April 10th. Bells available 5 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Kettering District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Desborough on Saturday, April 10th. Bells (6) open from 2.30. Short service conducted by the Vicar at 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.—R. F. Turner, Hon. Dis. Sec., 160, St. Peter's Avenue, Kettering.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual general meet.

ing will be held at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, April 10th. Service at 5 p.m., with an address by the Vicar (Rev. G. K. B. Marshall). Tea at a reasonable cost in the Church House at 6 p.m., followed by business meeting. A good attendance is requested, as important financial proposals will be made. Ringing arrangement as follows: Fulham, 2.30 to 5 p.m., and after the meeting; Putney, 3 to 4.45 p.m., and 8 to 9 p.m.—C. T. Coles, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow, E.17, and W. H. Oram, 25, Crown Street, Harrow, Hon. Secs.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Est. 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 15th and 29th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 20th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—Wm. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting at Leatherhead on Saturday, April 17th. Tower open 3 o'clock, ringing till 9 o'clock. Business meeting at the King's Head at 6.30. Members are urgently asked to communicate with me of their intention to attend the dinner on May Day.—H. J. Bradley, School House, Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual committee meeting will be held (p.v.) in the Chapter House, Christchurch, Oxford, on Saturday, April 17th, at 3.15 p.m. As important business is on the agenda, it is hoped that all committeemen will attend, if possible.—Richard T. Hibbert, Hon. Sec.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.**—An important meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Hillingdon, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available from 3.30. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Will all who wish for tea please communicate with Miss N. Williams, 5, Hillingdon Road, Uxbridge?—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Yalding on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Short service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.45. Business meeting after. A motor bus will leave outside the S.E.R. station at 2.45 to take members there and bring them back. The secretary would be glad if all members intending being present would let him know not later than Tuesday, April 13th, and oblige.—Stephen Hayzelden, District Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Worsley, on April 17th. Dedication of a peal board at 4 p.m. Service in church immediately after by Canon Elsee, M.A. Tea in schoolroom at 5.30, 1/3 each. Ringers and friends intending being present to tea please notify Mr. P. Derbyshire, Beesley Green, Worsley, not later than Friday, April 16th.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec., 103, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting and eight bell contest will take place at Heptonstall on Saturday, April 17th; the draw to take place at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided at 1/6 each to all who notify me on or before April 12th. Any tower can become members of the Association within a radius of 20 miles of the Halifax Parish Church on application to the Secretary.—Willie B. Frith, 5, Sufton Street, Birkby, Huddersfield.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next meeting of the above Branch will be held on Saturday, April 17th, at

Iron Acton. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Will those requiring tea please notify Branch Sec. not later than April 12th?—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Midsomer Norton on Saturday, April 17th. Service in the Parish Church at 3.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting in the Schoolroom at 4 p.m. Bells available during the afternoon and evening.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 'Dunkery,' Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Swaffham Prior, Cambs, on Saturday, April 17th. Short service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea. The bells (6) and those at Burwell (5) will be available all the afternoon and evening.—A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Warwick on Saturday, April 17th. The bells of All Saints', Emscote (8), will be available from 3 o'clock, and St. Mary's, Warwick (10), during the evening.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Thornbury, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Service 6.30. Those requiring tea please notify W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bromyard District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Bredenbury on Saturday, April 17th. Bells ready at 2.30. Service in Church at 4.30. Tea provided for those only that let me know by April 14th. All ringers welcome.—A. Tomkins, District Sec., Red Hill, Bredenbury.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Estab. 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at King's Norton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided free for those who advise the Secretary not later than the 20th inst. of their intention to be present.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Beckenham on Saturday, April 24th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., address by the Rev. J. T. Plowden-Wardlaw (Rector); tea and business meeting to follow in the Church House. Will those who require tea (1/- per head) please let me know definitely by Tuesday, April 20th?—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The next meeting of the above District will be held at Market Weighton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells available from 1 p.m. Service in Church at 4. Tea at 5 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who notify Mr. J. W. Kneeshaw, Waldgrave Cottages, Market Weighton, not later than Thursday, April 22nd. Tea 1/6 per head.—W. Hinton, Hon. District Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Wem, Salop, on Saturday, April 24th. Ringing; tea at Temperance Hall, near church; meeting.—Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.



# A BELLS REPAIR FUND.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—Many people will sympathise with Mr. A. Lorkin in his zeal for bells and bellfries. They generally do get the last consideration. His suggestion to have a county fund would be a boon, but even if agreement could be obtained, there would be difficulties of representation and administration. A sinking fund at each church would be more simple. Whether the new Church Councils coming into existence next month, under the recent Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act will, in time, give attention to such matters, remains to be seen. But the statement of a distinguished churchman expresses the heart of the question—until the people as a whole contribute as generously to the needs of the church as their ancestors did, they must not look for the same results.—Yours truly

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# MORE MINOR METHODS NAMED.

Nos. 15 and 18 of Third's Place Delight Methods from the Central Council's 'Legitimate Method' have been rung at St. Anne's, Denton A 720 of No. 15 was rung on Tuesday, March 16th, and the ringers wish to call it 'Melandra Castle.' The ringers were: D. Wilde 1, A. E. Marshall 2, H. Bardsley 3, Rev. A. T. Beeston 4, W. Wilde 5, J. Heckingbottom 6. A 720 of No. 18 Third's Place Delight was rung on Tuesday, March 23rd, and it has been named 'Beeston Castle': C. Clayton 1, A. E. Marshall 2, H. Bardsley 3, Rev. A. T. Beeston 4, W. Wilde 5, J. Heckingbottom 6. Both 720's were conducted by the Rev. A. T. Beeston.

# A FAMILY QUARTER-PEAL.

At Croft, Leicestershire on March 16th, a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Doubles was rung on handbells in 35 mins. by: Edward G. Webb (age 11 years), 1—2; C. H. Webb, senr. (conductor), 3—4; H. Webb, junr. (age 14 years), 5—6. This was E. G. Webb's first quarter-peal and rung as a birthday compliment to his brother on his 14th birthday.

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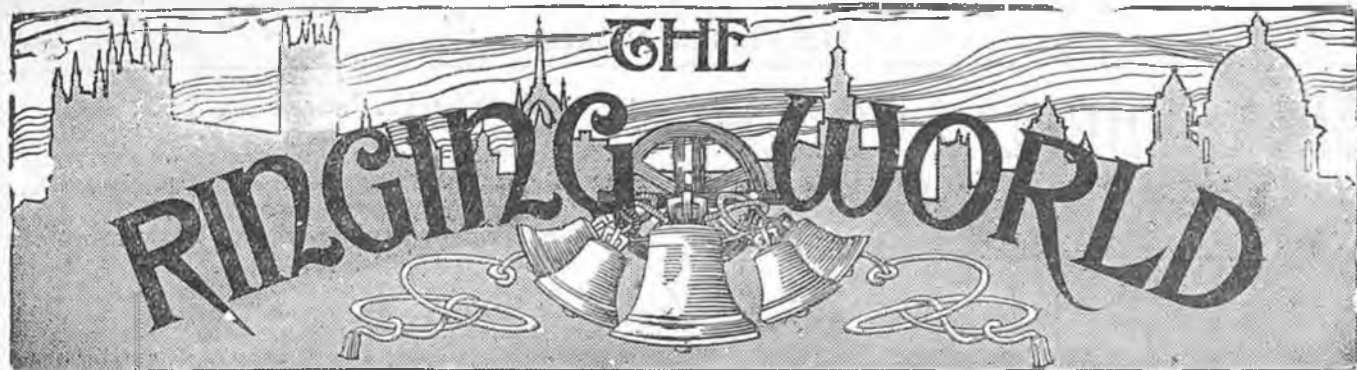
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### A CHANGE OF METHOD.

Now that the Association Easter meetings are over, attention will turn to the forthcoming Central Council meeting to be held at Northampton at Whitsun, when, once more, we presume, the question of the Council's own future will be discussed. It has been and still is difficult to arouse interest, outside the Council Chamber, in the doings of the central body, although we believe that years of striving in these columns have, at last, had some little effect in bringing home to a supine Exercise the fact that the Central Council is a body which might still be made useful, and in which every member of every Association ought to take a direct interest. No one disputes the fact that the Exercise, split up as it is into so many different organisations, must have some central body to bring into touch all its separate units and to co-ordinate its energies, and yet there are still a great many who look upon the present Council as a useless body.

In the discussions which took place at various meetings on Easter Monday, there was a general admission that the Council had done valuable work in the past, but a body like the Council cannot retain its position merely upon its past. It must make a future as well as contemplate a past, and the making of the future depends upon the manner in which it makes and utilises opportunities in the present. The Council is, without doubt, anxious to further the interests of ringing; but there is, we have always felt, one fatal defect in the present system. It ought not to be left entirely to the Council to find subjects for discussion. It should be the aim of every Association to find matters of importance to the Exercise which their elected representatives should be instructed to ventilate at the Council meetings. In this way a greater variety of topics might be found, and it could not then be laid at the door of the Council that its only discussions were upon abstruse problems or uninteresting subjects.

If the matters for debate, outside the purely domestic affairs of the Council, came for the most part from the Associations, it would have the double advantage of providing the Council with work of the kind it is ready to do, and also bring the deliberations more closely home to ringers in general, inasmuch as matters for eventual discussion by the Council could be raised by any member of the Exercise, by first getting a resolution passed by his own association. This starting of the ball from without, seems to us, to offer greater opportunities to the Council for usefulness, than the present method of waiting for everything to be proposed from within, and if the Associations could be educated up to this view we feel quite certain much good would result.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANCES;**

Tenor 33 cwt.

ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 7
ALBERT T. SCREVEN ... .. 2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 8
BERT HORTON ... .. 3	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 9
JAMES GEORGE ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. COOPER ... .. 10
FRANK W. PERRINS ... .. 5	JOHN NEAL ... .. 11
WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 6	BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES.

Conducted by WILLIAM FISHER.

Rung in honour of the induction of the Rev. C. H. Barker (clerical secretary of the above society) to the living of Swindon, Staffs, and also to celebrate the 18th birthday of A. E. Norman.

CHELMSFORD.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

AT ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANCES;**

Tenor 35 cwt.

WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... .. Treble	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	WILLIAM PYE ... .. 8
ARTHUR EDWARDS ... .. 3	ARTHUR HEAD ... .. 9
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 10
THOMAS LINCOLN ... .. 5	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 11
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 6	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal of Cinques away from tenor.

SOUTHWARK, LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

AT ST. SAVIOUR'S CATHEDRAL (Late St. Mary Overy),

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANCES;**

Tenor 50 cwt. 0 qr. 20 lb. in B.

CHALLIS T. WINNEY ... .. Treble	FRANCIS E. DAWE ... .. 7
FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... .. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 8
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... .. 9
THOMAS H. TAPPENDER ... .. 4	HENRY G. MILES ... .. 10
JAMES SCHOLES ... .. 5	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 11
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... .. 6	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANCIS EDWARD DAWE.

The 11th man hails from Birmingham.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

GREENWICH, S.E.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALFEGE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANCES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Treble	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 6
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 2	HARRY HOSKINS ... .. 7
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 8
JOHN J. LAMB ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 9
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 5	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

The above composition has the 6th the extent in 5th's place in the titmums and handstroke positions, with the treble in second. This is the 100th tower in which the conductor has rung a peal.

ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.—On Tuesday, March 23rd, in 52 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes): Miss Freda Hawksford 1, S. J. Coleman 2, S. W. Hawksford 3, F. C. R. Fields 4, L. J. Flint 5, H. Fields 6, G. D. Coleman (conductor) 7, C. L. Jones 8. First quarter-peal on the bells since their restoration, and rung entirely by parishioners.



**NORTHAMPTON.**

**THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, April 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Giles,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANCES;**

WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM FAREY... .. 6
WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 2	SYDNEY J. LAWRENCE ... 7
HENRY BLONDELL ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT ... 8
JOHN METHERELL ... .. 4	GEORGE FLAVELL ... .. 9
CHARLES W. BIRD ... .. 5	ELIJAH JAMES ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. HALEY.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

\* First peal on ten bells. \* First peal of Stedman Caters. Rung for the induction of the Rev. A. J. Treloar, B.D.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Laurence,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb.

REV. H. LAW JAMES... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. STOKES ... 6
SYDNEY G. FLOWERS ... 2	GEORGE H. BARKER ... 7
KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... 3	ARTHUR J. FARR ... .. 8
ARCHIE C. STOKES ... .. 4	WILLIAM DICKINSON ... 9
JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 5	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal. First peal of Royal as conductor. Rung for the wedding of Norman T. King and Miss May Taylor, who were married at Surfleet on the above date.

**NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.**

**THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, April 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Woolos,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANCES;**

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

FRED ATWELL ... .. Treble	SIDNEY DAVE ... .. 6
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 2	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... 7
JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 3	ALAN ROWLEY ... .. 8
CLARENCE O. HOBBS ... 4	EX-SERG. J. WILLIAMS ... 9
ARTHUR E. MORGAN ... 5	JAMES PIPPIN ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

**COLCHESTER, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES**

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... .. Treble	HENRY EVERS ... .. 5
WILLIAM CHALK ... .. 2	GEORGE W. MOSS ... .. 6
RICHARD W. STANNARD ... 3	WILLIAM J. SCHOFIELD ... 7
ALBERT CATTERWELL... .. 4	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

**MILVERTON, SOMERSET.**

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM CHAPMAN ... .. Treble	ALBERT TOUT ... .. 5
EDWARD LLOYD ... .. 2	ARCHIBALD J. ANDREWS ... 6
ROBERT SCOTT ... .. 3	JAMES HUNT ... .. 7
HENRY NORMAN ... .. 4	JOHN CARTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. HUNT.

\* First peal. The ringers of 2 and 7 hail from Taunton and the rest are local men.

**ERITH, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, March 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At Christ Church,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

HERBERT HOLDEN ... .. Treble	ARTHUR J. MORTON ... .. 5
ROBERT GRAY ... .. 2	F. J. CULLUM, JUN. ... .. 6
FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 7
HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. 4	JAMES MACLAREN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

**LONDON, N.**

**THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

On Saturday, March 27, 1920, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Anne, Highgate,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. Treble	CHARLES FRYOR ... .. 5
ERNEST BONFIELD ... .. 2	RICHARD BEVAN ... .. 6
BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. 3	ERNEST YOUNG ... .. 7
CECIL RADDON ... .. 4	FRANK SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by FRANK SMITH.

Rung in memory of William Miles, a ringer at the above church, who died on March 12th, 1920.

**MANSFIELD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**

**THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**

On Saturday, March 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN FLINT... .. Treble	EDWARD ROBBINS ... .. 5
*REV. R. F. WILKINSON ... 2	WILLIAM T. PALMER ... .. 6
CHARLES MASON ... .. 3	THOMAS BETTISON ... .. 7
CHARLES CARR ... .. 4	WILLIAM JACQUES ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM JACQUES.

\* First peal. † First peal of Treble Bob Major.

**WILLESDEN GREEN, MIDDLESEX.**

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, March 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Treble	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 3	*HARRY KILBY ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method, also first in the method on the bells.

**SAXLINGHAM, NETHERGATH, NORFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Friday, April 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

JOHN ALDIS SENIOR ... .. Treble	ALFRED WATSON... .. 5
MISS HELEN BILL ... .. 2	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 6
CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 3	GEORGE POINTZ ... .. 7
GEORGE MAYERS... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed by CECIL V. EBBERSON.

Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Rung with half-muffled clappers. The ringers of the treble and 7th were re-elected members of the Association previous to starting

The Yorkshire Association and the Sheffield District Society have sustained a heavy loss by the death of Mr. David Brearley, of Bolsterstone.

SHIFNAL, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, April 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.

At the Church of St. Andrew,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

H. W. WILDE'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 1 ton in E.

CHARLES R. LILLEY... ..	...Treble	GEORGE L. HEWITT ... ..	5
*WILLIAM D. WASE ... ..	2	WALTER LAGO ... ..	6
*BERT RIXOM ... ..	3	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... ..	7
JACK GARBETT ... ..	4	*ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\* First peal of Stedman. William Saunders' 50th peal. All the band are also members of the Hereford Diocesan Guild and except C. R. Lilley (Shrewsbury), are from Coalbrookdale. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to Mr. F. W. Haswell, People's Warden, and for over 40 years headmaster of Shifnal National School.

LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF CHANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

OLIVER THOMAS ... ..	...Treble	JOHN W. DAVIS ... ..	5
JAMES THOMAS ... ..	2	EX-SERGT. J. WILLIAMS ... ..	6
JOHN AUSTIN ... ..	3	P. C. A. H. CARTER ... ..	7
JOHN W. JONES ... ..	4	FREDERICK SANDFORD ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANCES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

*FRANK L. FISHER ... ..	...Treble	GEORGE W. ABLITT ... ..	5
JOHN HALL ... ..	2	GEORGE R. FINCH ... ..	6
CHARLES E. FISHER ... ..	3	FREDERICK J. SMITH ... ..	7
GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... ..	4	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by N. R. BAILEY.

\* First peal of Major.

FEERING, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

PERCY J. LANGSTON ... ..	...Treble	JOHN SADLER ... ..	5
WALTER SADLER ... ..	2	WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... ..	6
WILLIAM KEEBLE ... ..	3	HORACE J. MANSFIELD ... ..	7
FRANK CLAYDON ... ..	4	FRED CHALK ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

HARROLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being one 720 of College Single and three 720's each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

*CHARLES COCKINGS ... ..	...Treble	WILLIAM STOCK ... ..	4
HENRY W. GAYTON ... ..	2	HERBERT ROBINSON ... ..	5
*ALFRED ROBINSON ... ..	3	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by H. W. GAYTON.

\* First peal and first attempt.

FEN DITTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.—On handbells 720 Bob Minor (42 singles): J. Peachey (first 720) 1, H. Wishbeach 2, L. Mallion 3, A. Turner 4, E. G. Hibbins (conductor) 5, A. Palmer 6. Also 288 Kent Treble Bob Major.

LAMBERHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Bob, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt.

ARTHUR H. SMITH ... ..	...Treble	ALBERT RELFE ... ..	4
JAMES WAGHORN ... ..	2	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN. ... ..	5
GEORGE FULLER ... ..	3	HARRY PRICE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by HARRY PRICE.

Trebleman's first peal, and also first peal as conductor. Rung with half-muffled clappers as a tribute of respect to a brother ringer, Pte. Richard H. Russell, who died on 22nd February, at the Military Hospital, Aldershot, from influenza.

EAST PECKHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 14½ cwt.

HUBERT BOORMAN ... ..	...Treble	TOM SAUNDERS ... ..	4
WILLIAM ELDRIDGE ... ..	2	LEWIS NEWMAN ... ..	5
GEORGE BELL ... ..	3	HARRY BELL ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM ELDRIDGE.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes.

In the Vestry of St. Margaret's Church,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;**

ALLEN F. BAILEY ... ..	1—2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... ..	5—6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... ..	3—4	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... ..	7—8
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... ..	9—10		

Composed by GEORGE CROSS.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Witnesses: J. G. RUMSEY and F. W. BAILEY.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes.

In the Belfry of St. Margaret's Church,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5088 CHANCES;**

ALLEN F. BAILEY ... ..	1—2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... ..	7—8
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... ..	3—4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... ..	9—10
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... ..	5—6	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... ..	11—12

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Witnesses: A. KEEBLE, J. G. RUMSEY and J. TITTERTON.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes.

In the Belfry of St. Margaret's Church,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, 5016 CHANCES;**

ALLEN F. BAILEY ... ..	1—2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... ..	7—8
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... ..	3—4	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... ..	9—10
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... ..	5—6	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... ..	11—12

Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Witnesses: A. KEEBLE and J. G. RUMSEY.

First peal of Plain Bob Maximus by all.

READING, BERKS.—On Sunday, March 29th, at St. Giles' Church, 448 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: G. Cook 1, L. T. Osborne 2, A. Wiggins 3, R. Runham 4, A. Bailey 5, H. Egby 6, H. Osborne 7, A. W. Osborne 8. For evensong, 560 in same method: Rev. G. W. O. Jenkyn 1, L. T. Osborne 2, R. Runham 3, R. Bishop 4, A. Bailey 5, H. Egby 6, H. Osborne 7, A. W. Osborne (conductor) 8.

**THE JOHNSON DINNER.**

(Continued from Page 177.)

Mr. C. Horton, Master of the College Youths, replying to the toast of 'Kindred Societies,' said the chairman had spoken of the brotherhood that existed in St. Martin's Guild, and he could assure him that that brotherhood existed over the whole country where ringing and church bells were. It was that spirit of brotherhood which surmounted the difficulties of change ringing, and enabled the various Guilds of the country to rise to the fine position that they did. The College Youths claimed to be the premier ringing society of the country, and they did their utmost to uphold their position, especially in twelve-bell ringing. Kindred societies fully appreciated the kindly hospitality shown them when they came to the city of Birmingham. When their little party arrived from London that morning they found a glorious welcome awaiting them, by men from nearly every part of the Midlands and Northern Counties. On the 13th November next, all being well, the College Youths would hold their dinner at the London Tavern, and he invited as many of the men of Birmingham as could do so to attend, so that the London ringers might in their turn give them, if possible, an even bigger welcome (applause).

Mr. Albert Walker proposed the 'Ringing World,' and referring to the resolution passed at the meeting of another association, when it was suggested that advertisements, peal records and correspondence should be omitted from the paper to make room for matter more interesting to beginners, said it seemed to have been overlooked that advertisements were necessary to the life of a paper and that the firms who advertised had a right to occupy a portion of the space in the only ringing journal that there was, as there was no other way by which they could keep their names before those connected with bells and belfries. As to the peals and the correspondence, it must not be forgotten that a large number of ringers were interested in this section of the paper. What was wanted was that every ringer should give his individual support to the paper, and that the custom of taking one paper for the tower should be put an end to. If it was necessary there should be no hesitation in increasing the price, for the paper was essential to all who had any interest in ringing outside their own tower (applause).

Mr. J. S. Goldsmith in acknowledging the toast, referred to the

difficulties which still confronted the running of the paper—difficulties not one whit less than in war-time, for the cost of paper was as high, and the cost of labour higher than at any period while the war was on. The rapid revival of ringing unquestionably required a larger paper, but a reckless policy might easily result in disaster. In any case, under present conditions a larger paper was not possible except at an increased price, and the choice had to be made between that expedient and a continuation of the paper in its present size. In conclusion Mr. Goldsmith cordially thanked Mr. James George for the great kindness shown by him in initiating and carrying through the recent testimonial scheme, and the members of St. Martin's Guild for the very great support they gave to the scheme.

Mr. A. Paddon Smith submitted, in felicitous terms, the toast of 'The Chairman.' He hoped that evening would have added in some measure to the sum of the happiness he had derived during his stay in Birmingham. It was a grand thing to see the Rector of a large city like that, probably the busiest man in the city, spending a Saturday evening with them. It was a great compliment to them, and he could only congratulate their Rector in following so ably in the footsteps of Canon Willink than whom, he was sure, there was no better pattern (applause). He hoped they would have the Rector with them again next year (applause).

The toast was drunk with musical honours, and the Rector, in replying, said he did not think he had had that kind of welcome since he left Cambridge. There was, he said, a delightful atmosphere of friendliness about the gathering. Bell ringing after this would have quite a new meaning for him. He had no idea of its ramifications. He hoped to learn more of them in the future, and that he would be able to accept their kind invitation to come again next year (applause).

Mr. W. H. Godden proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the artists who had enlivened their proceedings. They had enjoyed the ringing, and they had enjoyed the singing of St. Martin's choir. It was exceedingly nice to see the bell ringers and choir thus associated, and he hoped the opportunity might arise when the ringers could help the choir (applause).

The vocal items in the programme were sustained by the St. Martin's quartet (members of the parish church choir), whose part songs and other items were delightfully rendered. Mr. A. S. Gorman, A.R.C.O. was the accompanist. Selections on handbells were given by members of St. Martin's Guild, and a touch of Erin Cinques by Messrs. Russam, Walker, Groves, Swann, Perrens and Morris.

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—May I remind hon. secretaries of affiliated Guilds and Associations that time is passing apace, and that those who have not forwarded their affiliation fees should do so without delay? As yet only comparatively few have reached me.

I would also remind members of Council that notices of motion should reach me not later than the 24th inst., and that intimation of the view taken by the various Guilds or Associations on the question of conferring compulsory powers on the Council should reach me not later than 26th.—See minutes of last year's meeting.

The President has also written asking me if I have received any further names since last year for inclusion in the roll of honour.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, Hon. Sec.,

12th April, 1920.

Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting was held at Canterbury on Easter Monday, and was attended by about one hundred members. The programme of proceedings was very much the same as is usual on these occasions, and was successfully carried through. The bells of the Cathedral (10) and the other churches, St. Stephen's (8), St. Alphege (6), St. Dunstan's (6) and Holy Cross (5) were kept going merrily both before and after the Cathedral evensong at which the Rev. Canon Gardiner (life member) addressed the members. The tea and business meeting followed.

The report and balance sheets, read in the course of the business, showed the Association's gradual recuperation from the effects of the war.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

**THE WAR MEMORIAL SCHEME.**

The annual meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association was held at Swindon on Easter Monday, when probably the weather was responsible for a rather small attendance, but some of these present travelled 30 or 40 miles in motors.

The service at Christ Church was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Maynall), who extended a very hearty welcome to the Association. The organist (Mr. Painter) provided the music, and was ably assisted by the Association's professional 'Blower.' At the conclusion of the service, an adjournment was made to the King's Arms Hotel, where dinner was served.

At the business meeting which followed, the Master (the Rev. M. E. Thorold) presided.—The Hon. Treasurer presented the balance sheet, which was adopted.

The Master, in his report strongly advised the members to see that they were represented on the parochial roll of the Church Enabling Act.

Mr. W. A. Cave was elected Master of the Association, Mr. E. Guise was re-elected hon. secretary, and Mr. F. K. Howell hon. treasurer. Mr. A. W. Seviour was elected peal secretary. The question of the powers of the Central Council was then discussed.—The Rev. M. E. Thorold moved: 'That this meeting believes the work of the Central Council in the past has been of great benefit to the Exercise generally, and is the principal cause of the marked advance in recent years of the science and art of change ringing. In consequence, the meeting is prepared to support the further efforts of the Council as far as possible, but is of opinion that for the Council to have powers conferred upon it to make such support obligatory would not prove satisfactory.'

The scheme for the war memorial, which is to take the form of two new bells to be added to the eight at Berkeley Campanile, was confirmed. It was mentioned that over £40 had already been subscribed, and with other moneys not yet sent in the total would be over £50. Those who have not yet subscribed are reminded that small donations will not suffice, as the Association aims at a minimum of £100.

Mr. E. Guise (hon. secretary) introduced a registration scheme, which could be carried out at an annual cost of 10s. to the Association and one penny per member. He explained that it was absolutely necessary that members joining or paying their subscriptions should be registered with the general officers of the Association at once, and not at the end of each year or possibly six or eight months later still.—The scheme was adopted.

Lydney, Glos., was chosen as the place of the Management Committee Meeting, Sept. 18th, 1920.

A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the auditors (honorary), the Vicar of Christ Church, the organist, and Mr. E. Bishop, for assistance in making the meeting a success.

At the close of the meeting it was decided provisionally to vote £10 from the Association funds to the war memorial.

Ten followed, nearly 40 sitting down. Ringing at Christ Church and St. Mark's was then indulged in until time for departing to far distant homes.

Congratulations of the meeting were extended to the Painswick Youths upon the long peal recently rung by them and recorded for the Association.



# MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING AT NOTTINGHAM.

Once in four years, the above city becomes the 'G.H.Q.' of the Association, and on Easter Monday, ringers from all parts of the Midlands began, at an early hour, to foregather at the far-famed haunts of Robin Hood and Friar Tuck. The pro-Cathedral of St. Mary is a magnificent pile, the massive tower of which would accommodate a carillon on one level; the ring of ten dating back 200 years, occupying only a corner, albeit the tenor is 35 cwt. reputed.

In the eighteenth century Nottingham was famous in its change ringing achievements. At that time the Leicester men were keen rivals, and both towns were striving for a record length of Grandsire Caters. Leicester got home first with 10,080 in 7 hours 12 minutes, on February 25th, 1777, but nothing daunted, the lacemen went one better on March 3rd, 1778, with 10260! In each case the tenors were rung by two ringers, but it should be observed that the peal at St. Margaret's, Leicester, was rung after 'ye ringers had rung 5,000 on ye morning of ye same day when ye man with ye 3rd bell missed his sallie and ye peal was lost.' In those days no stay or slider was used, and the ringer had perforce to master his bell—or take a joy-ride. The 'bob caller' of the Nottingham long peal was Mr. Doubleday Crofts, a local lawyer, whose name appears in 'Shipway' as a composer, and whose gravestone is in St. Mary's Churchyard. For ringing the two long peals both bands were presented with a peal of cup handbells. Those of the Notts Society were in existence 20 years ago, and the writer, when on a visit, rang on them. Wherever they are to-day they should be revered as an heirloom from a memorable past.

St. Peter's Church had originally a ring of eight, and recently were augmented to ten by the sleeper keeper (Mr. R. Cobbin), but up to the present no 5,000 has been recorded upon the ten. Both rings of ten and also the two eights at Lenton and Daybrook respectively, were kept going throughout the day with Caters and Royal at the Cathedral, and everything from Grandsire to London Surprise at St. Peter's. Service was held at the Cathedral at 3 p.m., when a large majority of the ringers attended, a short address, suitable for the occasion, being given by the Rev. Canon Field.

Later on, over 100 sat down to tea at the Co-operative Hall, and the annual business meeting immediately followed in St. Peter's Schoolroom. The chair was occupied by Ald. R. B. Chambers, J.P., of Derby (vice-chairman), supported by Mr. A. C. Wright, hon. secretary; Mr. W. Willson, hon. treasurer, and many of the local clergy—the Rev. J. P. Hales, Rector of Cotgrave, having attended the annual meetings for 15 years, with the exception of his C.F. duties in France!

In opening the meeting, the Chairman apologised for his presence in the chair, remarking that owing to the demise of the late President (Mr. J. W. Taylor) he was 'filling the gap.' 'En Passant,' it may be said that if he 'fills the gap' as ably as he has done, he bids fair to remain President!

The year's finances were presented by the hon. treasurer, Mr. W. Willson. His budget was briefly as follows: Balance in hand, 1918, £27 14s. 11d. During the war there was no 'report' printed, hence the balance was carried forward intact. In 1919 the income from all sources was £78 17s. 11d.; expenditure, £29 4s. 7d., leaving a balance in hand of £49 13s. 3d., which is very nearly a record for the Association. The 'chancellor' drew the members' attention to the fact that the monetary value of the £ sterling was 135 per cent. lower than in 1914 for home products, hence the balance only represents about £20. The report for the war period, 1915-1919 inclusive, had to be paid for. Prices were rising again in the paper trade, and shortly it was very likely a rise in price both for newspapers and the production of all printed matter would be necessary. Fortunately, the Association had benefited by an extraordinary influx of new members, both ringing and honorary; the latter mainly due to the fact that many of the public men of the Midlands were totally unable to resist the seductive wiles of the vice-president—once Mayor of Derby!—The Hon. Treasurer then made the prediction that the year 1920 would constitute a record if all unnecessary expenditure was turned down. The report, now in the hands of the members, had been produced by the 'Ringing World' Office at a most reasonable figure and issued in a clean, compact form.

The balance sheet was then moved, seconded and carried unanimously as was the auditor's report (Mr. C. Draper).

The new members elected were given by the hon. secretary, Mr. A. C. Wright, as follows: 1 life, 19 honorary, 61 ringing. Previous to the meeting, the strength of the M.C.A. was: Honorary members, 68; ringing, 568, excluding life members.—On the proposition of the Rev. J. P. Hales, seconded by Mr. J. Griffin, the Chairman was unanimously elected president, and Mr. A. C. Wright and Mr. W. Willson were re-elected to the offices of secretary and treasurer respectively.

Considerable discussion ensued on the resolution regarding alteration of subscriptions. An increase from one to two shillings per annum was moved, but the Hon. Treasurer pointed out that unless the entrance fee (now 2s. 6d.) was also increased, it would encourage members one year in arrears to run out and rejoin rather than pay up. Ultimately it was agreed that the entrance fee be raised to 3s.

and the annual subscription to 1s. 6d., commencing 1921.

Another rule was varied to admit of a vice-president for each district—7 in all—instead of one only as at present.

A silent vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late president, Mr. J. W. Taylor, was put in appropriate terms by the chairman, and acknowledged by the meeting standing.—It was agreed that Leicester be the place of the next annual meeting, and that quarterly meetings be held at Loughborough, Chesterfield and Ashby-de-la-Zouch.

Votes of thanks to the clergy for the use of the bells and their presence, to the local branch for their arrangements, were duly carried, and one of the most successful meetings the M.C.A. has held came to an end, some returning to the towers to ring, others to the ringers' room at 'The Eight Bells,' where handbell ringing was indulged in until train time.

## NEW PEAL FOR DUDDINGTON.

### OPENED BY A DISTINGUISHED COMPANY.

Duddington, near Stamford, is a picturesque old-world place, some five miles from the village which, owing to a certain legend, became known as 'Wansford in England.'

Formerly, Duddington had only one bell of quite indifferent musical ability. But the ancient church tower has recently been the cause of lively interest to the parish, whilst a peal of six bells, as a memorial of an officer of the Northamptonshire Regiment, was being installed. The final act took place on Wednesday, April 7th, when Archdeacon Whittingham, of Oakham, dedicated the new bells, and delivered a striking and original sermon, in which he spoke of the voice of the bells as representing the voice of God. At the close of the service, the bells were 'opened' in a somewhat novel way, largely by ladies particularly interested in the parish and present at the ceremony.

The Marchioness of Exeter led off with rounds and a few changes on the clavier, and was relieved in turn by Mrs. Whittingham (the Archdeacon's wife), Mrs. Flammack (wife of the Vicar), Mrs. Goldard Jackson (of Duddington), and the Marquis of Exeter.

The bells are hung at present only for chiming, and in addition to the clavier, they are fitted with a mechanical player which the sexton can operate by turning a wheel, and which has been specially designed for the purpose.

It only remains for some official or enthusiast of the ringing association covering the district to gently influence the generous donor to hang the bells for ringing, and for this same official to offer to instruct in the elements of change ringing, the distinguished band for opened them for chiming, so that the same performers may 'ring the first touch' when that happy day arrives.

The tenor weighs slightly under 7 cwt., and is a flat B, and the peal is a product of the Croydon bell foundry. Mr. Cyril Johnston, o. Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, received congratulations from all those present, on the charm and musical properties of the new bells.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

### FORTY-FOUR NEW MEMBERS ELECTED.

The annual meeting of the Central Division was held at Southover, Lewes, on Easter Monday. A short service was held in the church, at which the Rev. G. M. Davies (Rector and President of the Southover Guild) gave a brief practical address on bell founding, comparing it in a most interesting manner with the life of a God-fearing Christian, from the mining of the ore and casting of the metal through all the stages up to the finished article, of which they had ten good examples in their own tower.

The company adjourned to the Church Hall, where about 50 of the members, including several competent lady ringers, sat down to tea. The Rector presided, supported by Mr. J. Thornton Rickman.

At the meeting, which followed, 44 new members were elected. Mr. A. D. Stone was re-elected divisional hon. secretary, and Messrs. R. J. Dawe, E. C. Merritt and Wm. Watts, senr., were elected as committee.—A hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for presiding, for his address in the church and for the use of the bells, and also to Mr. F. S. White for his services at the organ, was, on the motion of Mr. Rickman, seconded by Mr. Keith Hart, enthusiastically carried.

The party subsequently returned to the tower, touches in various methods from Grandsire to London Surprise being rung.

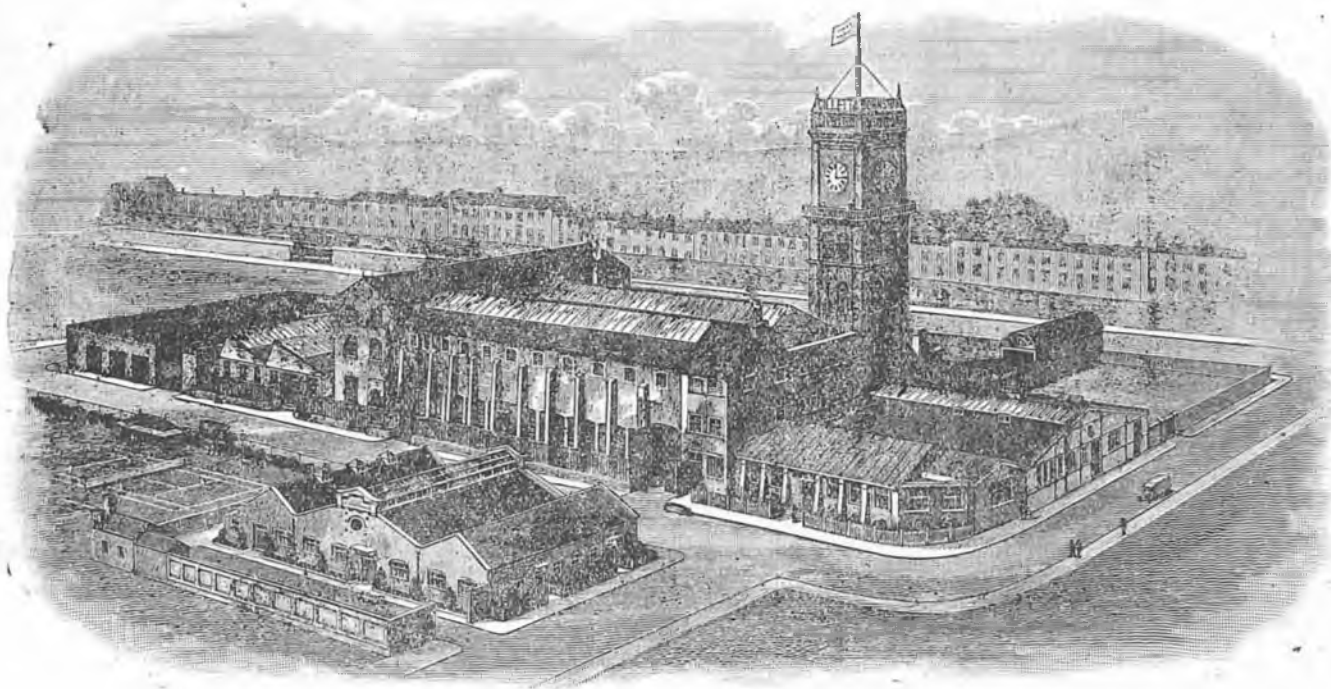
The following towers were represented: Aldington, Brighton (St. Peter's and St. Nicholas), Crawley Cuckfield, Ditchling, Eastbourne (All Saints), Henfield, Hurstpierpoint, Lindfield, Mayfield, Seaford, Southover, and independent members (including Mr. H. R. Butcher, general hon. secretary). It is expected to hold the next Central Division meeting at East Grinstead, in June.

## BISHOP IN THE BELFRY.

Before conducting a Confirmation service at Coalbrookdale, the Bishop of Hereford visited the belfry, where the ringers were assembled. After the service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 43 mins.: W. S. Crawford 1, J. Hanley 2, W. Saunders 3, J. Garbett (first quarter in the method with a bob bell) 4, R. Jones 5, G. L. Hewitt (composer and conductor) 6, W. Lago 7, A. S. Bayley 8. Longest length as conductor. Alfred S. Bayley was one of the candidates confirmed.

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## NOTICES.

**ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting at Leatherhead on Saturday, April 17th. Tower open 3 o'clock, ringing till 9 o'clock. Business meeting at the King's Head at 6.30. Members are urgently asked to communicate with me of their intention to attend the dinner on May Day.—H. J. Bradley, School House, Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available from 4 p.m. till 8 p.m., with a short interval for service. Business meeting after 8 p.m.—F. G. Symonds, Hon. District Secretary.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District.—A meeting will be held at Dunstable on Saturday, April 17th, 1920. Bells available at 2.45 p.m. All ringers heartily welcomed.—A. E. Sharman, District Secretary, 278, High Street, Dunstable.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Breaston, near Long Eaton, on Saturday, April 17th. Ringing from 3 o'clock to 7.30.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Secretary.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual committee meeting will be held (p.v.) in the Chapter House, Christchurch, Oxford, on Saturday, April 17th, at 3.15 p.m. As important business is on the agenda, it is hoped that all committeemen will attend, if possible.—Richard T. Hibbert, Hon. Sec.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.**—An important meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Hillingdon, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available from 3.30. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Will all who wish for tea please communicate with Miss N. Williams, 5, Hillingdon Road, Uxbridge?—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Yalding on Saturday, April 17th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Short service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.45. Business meeting after. A motor bus will leave outside the S.E.R. station at 2.45 to take members there and bring them back.—Stephen Hayzelden, District Sec.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting and eight bell contest will take place at Heptonstall on Saturday, April 17th; the draw to take place at 3 p.m. Any tower can become members of the Association within a radius of 20 miles of the Halifax Parish Church on application to the Secretary.—Willie B. Frith, 5, Sufton Street, Birkby, Huddersfield.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bromyard District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Bredenbury on Saturday, April 17th. Bells ready at 2.30. Service in Church at 4.30. All ringers welcome.—A. Tomkins, District Sec., Red Hill, Bredenbury.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Worsley, on April 17th. Dedication of a peal board at 4 p.m. Service in church immediately after by Canon Elsee, M.A. Tea in schoolroom at 5.30, 1/3 each. Ringers and friends intending being present to tea please notify Mr. P. Derbyshire, Beesley Green, Worsley, not later than Friday, April 16th.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec., 103, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next meeting of the above Branch will be held on Saturday, April 17th, at Iron Acton. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Will those requiring tea please notify Branch Sec. not later than April 12th?—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Midsomer Norton on Saturday, April 17th. Service in the Parish Church at 3.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting in the Schoolroom at 4 p.m. Bells available during the afternoon and evening.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 'Dunkery,' Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Swaffham Prior, Cambs, on Saturday, April 17th. Short service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea. The bells (6) and those at Burwell (5) will be available all the afternoon and evening.—A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Warwick on Saturday, April 17th. The bells of All Saints', Emscote (8), will be available from 3 o'clock, and St. Mary's, Warwick (10), during the evening.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Thornbury, on Saturday, April 17th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Service 6.30. Those requiring tea please notify W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late St. James's Society).—The quarterly general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes on Monday, April 19th. Tower open at 6.15 p.m. Business meeting at 8 p.m. at The Edinburgh. Practice will be resumed on May 3rd, and fortnightly, at 7.30 p.m.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Est. 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 20th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 20th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—Wm. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—A practice meeting will be held at Titchmarsh on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (8) available 3 to 7.30.—J. Nickerson, District Secretary, Halford Street, Thrapston.

**E. BERKS AND S. BUCKS BRANCH, OXFORD D.G.**—St. George's Day, 1920. — Members and friends are invited to Beaconsfield on Saturday, April 24th, to celebrate the above. Evening service at St. Mary's at 5 o'clock; preacher, the Bishop of Buckingham. Tea by special invitation at 5.30, at the Old Rectory, Lord Burnham presiding. The Tower bells available 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m., when a band of "Georges" will give a touch. Those intending to be present will please notify the Secretary by the 20th inst.—W. H. Fussell, Secretary, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Estab. 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at King's Norton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided free for those who advise the Secretary not later than the 20th inst. of their intention to be present.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Beckenham on Saturday, April 24th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., address by the Rev. J. T. Plowden-Wardlaw (Rector); tea and business meeting to follow in the Church House. Will those who require tea (1/- per head) please let me know definitely by Tuesday, April 20th?—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The next meeting of the above District will be held at Market Weighton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells available from 1 p.m. Service in Church at 4. Tea at 5 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who notify Mr. J. W. Kneeshaw, Waldgrave Cottages, Market Weighton, not later than Thursday, April 22nd. Tea 1/6 per head.—W. Hinton, Hon. District Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Wem, Salop, on Saturday, April 24th. Ringing; tea at Temperance Hall, near church; meeting.—Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at the Old Church, Handsworth, on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4 o'clock. Tea will be arranged, if possible, for those who notify me of their intention to be present by the previous Thursday. Business important. It is hoped every member will make an effort to attend. All ringers welcome.—S. Pigott, 41, Cemetery Road, Smethwick.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—A meeting for united practice will be held at Standish on April 24th. Bells (8) available from 3 till 8 p.m.—E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The annual meeting will be held at Holbeck on Saturday, April 24th. The bells of St. Matthew's will be available from 3 p.m. Committee meeting at 6.30 p.m. Annual general business meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. in the Church Schools.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 24th. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. Tea, at the Co-operative Hall, Free School Lane (off Silver Street), at 5 p.m., at a charge of 2s. 3d. each. Business meeting immediately after tea. The various towers in the City will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Will those who intend being present at tea kindly notify their respective branch secretaries or send direct to Mr. Geo. Chester, 16, Carline Road, Lincoln?

**ELY AND S. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Hunts District.—Meeting at St. Neots, Saturday, April 24th. Bells: St. Neots (8) and Eynesbury (6) afternoon and evening. Service, with address by Archdeacon Hodgson, 5 p.m. Tea at Church House 5.30 (6d., non-members 1s.), followed by meeting. Those requiring tea please notify Rev. H. B. Woolley, Long Stanton Vicarage, Cambs, not later than April 19th.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next Branch meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Newchurch, on Saturday, April 24th. Bells ready at 5 o'clock; meeting at 7 o'clock. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom, Lancs.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held

at Yatton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells available 3.30. Divine service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5.30.—Percy Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Netley on Saturday, April 24th. Bells 2.30. Service 5 p.m. Tea 6 o'clock (8d. each) for members who acquaint me by Tuesday, the 20th.—E. J. Harding, District Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Clun District.—The annual meeting will be held at St. George's Church, Clun, on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (8) ready at 2.30. Tea at 5, followed by business meeting. Short service 6.30, when an address will be given by Rev. S. Dugdale, M.A.—W. Mead, Hon. Sec., Clun, Salop.

**OLDHAM AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting will be held at St. Thomas's, Moorside, on Saturday, May 1st. Bells ready at 3.30. Tea will be provided in the School, all names for same to be sent in by April 26th to Mr. C. Platt, 15, Dickens Street, Moorside, Oldham.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The annual meeting will be held at Chesterfield on Saturday, May 1st, ten bells, from 2 o'clock. Short service in church at 5, followed by business and tea at 1s. 6d. per head to all those who notify Mr. G. Hollis, 37, Reservoir Terrace, Chesterfield, not later than Tuesday, April 27th.—Sam Thomas, 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—Next meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, on Saturday, May 1st. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. The Rector and the St. Giles' Guild of Ringers invite the members to tea at 5.45 p.m., in the Church House, Dyott Street. Ringing afterwards at St. Andrew's, Wells Street. All members accepting invitation to tea should let me know by April 27th.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, May 1st, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Toddington, on Saturday, May 1st. Service, with an address by the Rev. W. A. Warner, M.C., at 5 p.m. Tea will be provided, names to be sent to me not later than April 27th. Bells (6) 3 p.m.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—A special meeting will take place at Croydon on Wednesday, May 5th. The ten bells at St. Peter's will be available from 2 p.m. A visit will be made to the foundry of Messrs. Gillett & Johnston at 3.15, followed at 5 o'clock by tea in the Canteen, by kind invitation of Mr. Cyril Johnston. Will members and their friends who intend to be present kindly send a postcard by the Monday previous to Edith K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield?

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Meetings for combined practice will be held at Heston first Saturday in each month at 7 p.m.; Isleworth third Saturday in each month at 7 p.m.; Ealing (St. Stephen's), last Saturday in each month at 7 p.m.



**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Mr. Arthur W. Seviour, 5, Brunswick Street, City Road, St. Paul's, Bristol, has been appointed peal secretary for the coming year, and conductors of peals are requested to make a note of his address, and in future send all compositions and moneys to him when peals are being recorded for the peal book.—E. Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankards Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

#### HANDBELLS WANTED.

**WANTED.**—OCTAVE HANDBELLS, second-hand.—Apply, Wilson-Allin, 36, Church Street, Sutton-in-Ash field, Notts.

#### BIRTH.

**JERRAM.**—At Talland Vean, Penwerris, Falmouth, on April 8th, the wife of Major C. F. Jerram, C.M.G., D.S.O., R.M.L.I., of a daughter.

**LINDFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Saturday, March 20th, at the Parish Church, a date touch of Plain Bob Minor (1920 changes), in 1 hr. and 5 mins.: F. Howell 1, H. Tomsett 2, A. Copper 3, W. Watts (conductor) 4, A. Tomsett 5, F. Willie 6, G. Belton 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. Willie.

At Houghton-le-Spring, on Sunday, March 21st, for evening service, a date touch of Bob Minor (1920 changes), in one hour 10 mins.: J. Spearman 1, T. Masters 2, S. Robinson 3, A. Spearman 4, J. Masters 5, R. Parkinson (conductor) 6.

At St. Nicholas' Church, Sutton, on March 23rd, a date touch of Grandsire Doubles (1,920 changes), by: J. F. Ball 1, J. G. Ball 2, G. R. G. Butler (conductor) 3, T. Cooper 4, E. Russel 5.

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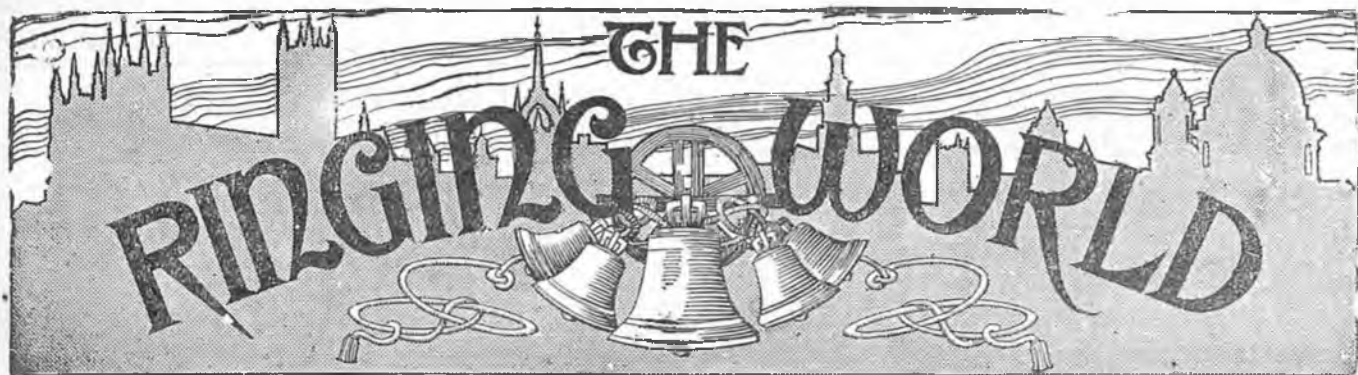
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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 6005 CHANGES;**

Tenor 37½ cwt.

JAMES R. KEMP ... .. Treble	JOHN HOLMAN ... .. 7.
WILLIAM STORY ... .. 2	JOHN FLINT ... .. 8
JOSEPH ROWELL ... .. 3	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 9
WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 4	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 10
WILLIAM W. SINCLAIR ... .. 5	BENJAMIN C. DIXON ... .. 11
THOMAS T. COFTON ... .. 6	ERNEST E. FERRY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

This peal was arranged for Messrs. Holman and Flint, of Sheffield and Bolsover respectively.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

CROYDON, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5055 CHANGES;**

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT ... .. Treble	WILLIAM S. SMITH ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 2	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... .. 7
JAMES TRAPPITT ... .. 3	AMOS CLARK ... .. 8
DAVID WRIGHT ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. 9
WILLIAM H. JOINER ... .. 5	ALFRED J. TRAPPITT ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

This musical composition contains the 6th behind the 8th and 9th in alternate courses.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5147 CHANGES;**

Tenor 26 cwt.

THOMAS WRIGHT ... .. Treble	ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6
WILLIAM HALE ... .. 2	WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 7
WILLIAM RYLAND ... .. 3	HUBERT SCRIVENS ... .. 8
CHARLES WEST ... .. 4	FRANK COLE ... .. 9
WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. 5	ALBERT HANKS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

Rung as a farewell peal to their esteemed brother ringer Albert Hanks, who after an absence of 14 years in Canada has been home on a visit and is shortly returning. All wish him good health and prosperity.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

DERBY.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5049 CHANGES;**

J. CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*WILFRED H. BUXTON ... .. Treble	JOHN W. GLEW ... .. 5
CHARLES DRAPER ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. WILEMAN ... .. 6
JOSEPH LORD ... .. 3	†ARTHUR B. STONE ... .. 7
†WILLIAM H. WALDRON ... .. 4	ARTHUR SHERWOOD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

The ringer of the 4th was elected a member previous to starting.  
• First peal. † First peal on a bob bell. Rung to celebrate the election of Alderman R. B. Chambers, B.A., J.P. (senior Churchwarden to St. Peter's), to the Presidency of the Association.

MITCHAM, SURREY.—At the Parish Church, on March 14th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: W. H. Joiner, junr. (1st quarter-peal), 1, J. D. Drewitt, 2, A. Calver, 3, W. H. Joiner, senr., 4, F. Tilly, 5, J. A. Lambert (conductor), 6, W. S. Smith, 7, J. Currell, 8.



SHIFNAL, SALOP.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, December 6, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 1 ton in E.

*W. VAUGHAN ... .. Treble	J. W. PAGE ... .. 5
E. BAKER ... .. 2	A. WOODVINE ... .. 6
P. A. BAKER ... .. 3	C. PICKEN ... .. 7
H. WEDGE ... .. 4	*W. SHUKER... .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by J. W. PAGE.

The band were all discharged soldiers with the exception of the ringer of the 3rd. \* First peal.

SHIFNAL, SALOP.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, February 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 1 ton in E.

ALFRED SHUKER ... .. Treble	JOHN W. PAGE ... .. 5
JOHN BRADNEY ... .. 2	CHARLES PICKEN... .. 6
ERNEST BAKER ... .. 3	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 7
HARRY WEDGE ... .. 4	THOMAS GWILLIAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Bradney.

BEXHILL, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

TAYLOR'S.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JAMES GOODSELL... .. Treble	JOHN SINDEN ... .. 5
FREDERICK MORGAN ... .. 2	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. 6
WALTER FRANKS... .. 3	TRAYTON BOOTH ... .. 7
JOHN H. EDWARDS ... .. 4	LESLIE SINDON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

Messrs. Franks and J. Sinden belong to Battle, the rest are from Salehurst.

LINTON, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

CHARLES TRIBE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 5
DAVID HODGKIN ... .. 2	GEORGE HADAWAY ... .. 6
THOMAS MANNERING ... .. 3	THOMAS E. SONE... .. 7
LEONARD MANNERING ... .. 4	CHARLES H. SONE ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. E. SONE.

Conducted by C. H. SONE.

Rung after the dedication service of two trebles, which have been added by Mr. Alfred Bowell of Ipswich. The 'go' and tone of the new bells leaving nothing to be desired.

KIRKBURTON, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5600 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. Treble	EDWIN R. ARMITAGE ... .. 5
HARRY ARMITAGE' ... .. 2	FRED TOWNEND ... .. 6
WILLIAM B. FRITH ... .. 3	CHARLES H. CRAVEN ... .. 7
WILLIAM JOYCE ... .. 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

This composition contains 11 of the 12 8-6-7's and 8-4's and the extent of the 4th, 5th and 6th in 6th's place without the 2nd in that position and is now rung for the first time.

BARTHOMLEY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BERTHOLINE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13½ cwt.

*JOHN ANKERS ... .. Treble	JOHN BRASSINGTON ... .. 5
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY ... .. 2	ARTHUR ALLMAN ... .. 6
WILLIAM CARTWRIGHT ... .. 3	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 7
ALBERT CRAWLEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM CHADWICK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. H. RIDING.

\* First peal away from the tenor. First peal as conductor. Rung to honour Mr. Joseph Kent's 25 years' faithful service to the Church as Churchwarden.

MIDDLEWICH, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHWICH BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

JAMES H. RIDING ... .. Treble	JOSEPH ASHMOLE ... .. 5
†ALBERT BOOTH ... .. 2	†THOMAS WILKINSON ... .. 6
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY ... .. 3	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... .. 7
†HUGH YARWOOD... .. 4	*SAMUEL MOORE, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. CRAWLEY.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples.

ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

WALTER ALLWOOD ... .. Treble	ARTHUR KNIGHTS... .. 5
FREDERICK E. SMITH ... .. 2	JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 6
EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. 3	GEORGE A. THOMPSON ... .. 7
JOHN P. TARTLTON ... .. 4	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by B. A. KNIGHTS.

This composition is now rung for the first time.

PENTRE, RHONDDA.  
THE LLANDEAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;**

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. to lb. in E flat.

TOM PAGE ... .. Treble	THOMAS HAMLIN... .. 5
JAMES CROSS ... .. 2	GEORGE WINES ... .. 6
FREDERICK LASBURY ... .. 3	HARRY PAGE ... .. 7
HERBERT DAVIES ... .. 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. JENKINSON.

Conducted by HARRY PAGE.

Rung as a 'Peace peal' for Pentre. First peal in the method as conductor, also first in the method by ringers of the 3rd, 4th and 6th. First peal in the method for the Association by an entirely local band.

FAKENHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 5
*CHARLES TUTHILL ... .. 2	ALFRED WATSON ... .. 6
*WILLIAM J. LEE ... .. 3	ROBERT COOKE ... .. 7
JOHN FREEMAN ... .. 4	*GEORGE MAYERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Kent.

NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.

ARTHUR DYE ... .. Treble	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 5
ARTHUR BALDWIN ... .. 2	CHARLES TETHILL ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. HOWSON ... .. 3	ROBERT COOKE ... .. 7
*GEORGE A. COOKE ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS.  
Conducted by WILLIAM E. BASON.

\* First peal on tower bells.

CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 11 cwt.

GEORGE LUFF ... .. Treble	THOMAS ATTWELL ... .. 5
WALTER G. BROCKHURST ... .. 2	ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ... .. 6
THOMAS LUFF ... .. 3	WILLIAM G. FOWLER ... .. 7
ARTHUR ASHDOWN ... .. 4	ELIJAH CARPENTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR J. BARTLETT.

First peal inside by ringer of 3rd.

WITLEY, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

MRS. HAZELDEN ... .. Treble	THOMAS ATTWELL ... .. 5
WILLIAM MOOREY ... .. 2	WILLIAM G. FOWLER ... .. 6
ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ... .. 3	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 7
DAVID AYLING ... .. 4	*EDWIN GALE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES HAZELDEN.

\* First peal. This was the conductor's 100th peal, and this is the first time a lady has taken part in her husband's 100th peal.

GLOSSOP.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION (MANCHESTER BRANCH).  
AND THE GLOSSOP ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

SAMUEL HARROP ... .. Treble	*EGMONT T. MALKIN ... .. 5
JAMES L. BUCKLEY ... .. 2	ELI GARSIDE ... .. 6
WILLIAM MARSDEN ... .. 3	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN. ... .. 7
*JOSEPH MARSDEN ... .. 4	RICHARD NEWTON ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

\* First peal in the method. The ringers of the 1st, 2nd and 4th elected members of the Lancashire Association and James W. Washbrook a member of the Glossop Association previous to starting. Rung as a farewell peal to Richard Newton on his return to Boston, U.S.A.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, LEISTON.)

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ALFRED KEERLE ... .. Treble	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 5
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 3	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 7
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 4	JAMES G. RUMSAY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.  
Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal in the method on the bells, and was rung to replace a false peal rung on June 1st, 1914, in the same method. The band tender their thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells and Mr. W. T. Last for having everything in readiness.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

HINTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Friday, March 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 8 six-scores each of Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure and 26 of Grandsire.

HUBERT COTTON ... .. Treble	LEONARD J. JELFS ... .. 3
JOHN HALL ... .. 2	JAMES HEMING ... .. 4
FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by F. J. JOHNSON.

Rung to celebrate the 21st birthday of J. D. Johnson who is serving in H.M. Forces in India.

STONE-IN-OXNEY, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.)

On Saturday, March 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Consisting of 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and five 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE KENWARD ... .. Treble	ALFRED DAW ... .. 4
CYRIL WENHAM ... .. 2	FREDERICK G. BURT ... .. 5
CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 3	CHARLES W. PLAYER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. PLAYER.

The conductor's 100th peal.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being three 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and 720 of Bob Minor each called differently. Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN SPENCER ... .. Treble	ALBERT L. J. NAUNTON ... .. 4
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 2	CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 5
EDGAR BAILEY ... .. 3	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

Rung for evening service.

WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Bob Minor each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN SPENCER ... .. Treble	JOHN LARTER ... .. 4
CAPT. ALBERT E. REEVES ... .. 2	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... .. 5
CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

These peals were arranged and rung to oblige Mr. C. V. Ebberson, who hails from Fakenham, Norfolk.

FOXTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Worcester, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford and Oxford spliced and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

*MISS ADA DEACON ... .. Treble	WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... .. 4
†MISS CECIL HEPBURN ... .. 2	E. MADRICE ATKINS ... .. 5
WALTER T. WILSON ... .. 3	GEORGE BLAXLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal containing Treble Bob methods. † First peal containing 8 methods

### WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. ANNUAL MEETING AT THE CATHEDRAL CITY.

Although the weather conditions were unfavourable, the annual meeting of the Worcestershire and Districts Association, on Easter Monday, proved most successful, with a record attendance, showing that, although during the war there was so little ringing done, the interest in and love of it was very quickly revived. In fact, there are many signs that, in this district, at least, ringing will soon be in a stronger position than it has ever been, for many new bands are being formed and instructed, and more intricate methods are being practised, even in parts where previously they were never attempted.

The general meeting of the Association was held in the Cathedral Chapter House, with the president (the Very Rev. Moore Ede, D.D.) in the chair, supported by the Rev. J. F. Hastings, the Rev. T. C. de la Hay, and the Master (Mr. A. E. Parsons), there being present over 100 members.

The question of expenditure, especially in regard to the cost of printing the annual report, came in for serious consideration, for, with increased expenses, particularly in the cost of the reports, which would be over £30, and the amount allowed for instruction, £32, it was evident that by the end of the year the reserve fund would almost have disappeared. It was decided, on the recommendation of the committee, which had met earlier in the day to consider the question, that the performing members' subscription be increased from 1s. 6d. to 2s., and that there be no travelling expenses paid to delegates, with the exception of the Central Council representatives; both of these decisions to come into operation on January 1st, 1921. It was also decided that the committee consider the curtailment of the contents of the annual report.

Several new members were elected, and the arrangements of the annual peal were left in the hands of Mr. W. Short.

There was no doubt as to where to hold the next annual meeting, Worcester being unanimously chosen.

The Master then brought forward for discussion a resolution in regard to the powers of the Central Council, remarking that if the 'Ringing World' was supported as it should be, there would be no need to state the reason for bringing forward this motion, nor for him to make any remarks in regard to it.

It was finally decided that this association was not in favour of giving any further powers to the Central Council other than those at present in existence.

The report of the treasurer of the Memorial Window Fund showed

receipts amounting to £129 9s. 8d. Some £30 more was required, and it was decided that collections should be made at each meeting. At the service following the amount collected was nearly £3.

The Dean had the artist's designs on view, and explained the various incidents depicted, the window being one of a series being put in the cloisters, showing the history of this Cathedral. In the centre light will be put the names of 23 members who gave their lives in the war.

An application was received from St. Mary's Church, Kidderminster, for a grant from the belfry Repairs Fund, and the sum of four guineas was voted.

All the officers were re-elected, although the Master expressed a wish for someone to take his place.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the President and the incumbents who had granted the use of the various rings of bells in the city.

The meeting was concluded in time to attend the afternoon service in the Cathedral, which, on these occasions, is always much appreciated, it being a great pleasure to hear a service so beautifully rendered. The address was given by the Dean, and was one that is not likely to be forgotten by those who heard it.

Afterwards, in the College Hall, 128 sat down to tea.—A vote of thanks was passed at the close to Mr. H. Mason for assisting toward the cost, and much regret was expressed at his having had to remove from Old Hill to Falmouth.

Unfortunately the bells of St. Helen's Church were unavailable owing to illness, and, therefore, those at All Saints' were much appreciated, as the peal at the Cathedral were only open for a short time. A course of Cambridge Royal was brought round at All Saints'.

### CHELSEA SOCIETY'S TREASURER DEAD.

The St. Luke's (Chelsea) Society regret to announce the death, on March 31st, of one of their members, Mr. W. J. Barber, who passed away at the age of 60 years, after a short but painful illness. Mr. Barber, who had been a member for over thirty years, was, at the time of his death the society's treasurer, and was universally respected.

The usual whole pull and stand was rung on the evening of the funeral, and on Saturday, April 17th, after two unsuccessful attempts for a peal, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters, with the bells half-muffled, was rung by Messrs. Taffender (conductor), King, Ellis, Reeve, Burton, Hessey, Iles, Essery, Mance, and Pickett.

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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich, has just added two trebles to the ring at Linton, Kent, to raise the peal to an octave. A peal of 20th Major was rung on the new eight after the dedication service.

There are not very many one-armed ringers, and the peal rung at Bolton by ex-Corpl. Churchill with his left arm only is remarkable. He struck his bell perfectly, dodging clearly and with precision, and lost his right arm in Bazentin Wood, on the Somme in July, 1916, but that has not deterred his enthusiasm or ambition in the belfry. He now does most of the conducting for the Bolton ringers. The peal was rung by ex-Service men.

It has been found impracticable by the Hertford County Association to carry out a suggestion made by the Bedfordshire Association that a peal by the combined associations should be attempted at St. Albans, on April 22nd, on the occasion of the enthronement of the new Bishop, whose diocese includes the counties of Herts and Beds.

On the occasion of the Royal Cumberland's dinner, on Saturday May 1st, the tower of St. Bride will be open at 3.30. Other towers may also be available. The secretary will close his list on Tuesday morning next, although every effort will be made to oblige any who may find it convenient to come at the last moment.

Owing to pressure on our space we are compelled to hold over some of the reports of Easter meetings which have reached us.

### A NEW BELL FOR ST. PETER MANCROFT, NORWICH.

St. Peter Mancroft has just come into possession of a new bell—a fourteenth, the thirteenth bell having been added to the ring of twelve in 1910, to form the Gabriel ring of eight. The new bell—Sanctus bell—has been given as a war memorial, and it has been hung in the N.E. turret above the chancel. The ropes are arranged so that the bell can be struck by a direct pull both from the high altar, and also from the altar in the side (Jesus) Chapel, where it will be used at the daily celebrations. The bell is in tune with the ring of twelve, the note being 'A' (a whole tone above the treble of the twelve), and the weight just under 2 cwt. It bears round the crown the inscription—

† CHRISTUM IN CRUCE IMMOLATUM ANNUNTIO:  
PACEM PRO DEFUNCTIS IN BELLO IMPLORO:  
MDCCCXX.

On the waist, there is a richly decorated device of vesica design, in the centre of which is a crucifix with the surround—'Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine.'

The bell has been supplied by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, by whom the whole of the details of the work have been successfully carried out.

### YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

#### ABOLITION OF LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, Leeds, on Easter Monday, and was attended by about one hundred ringers representing some twenty-five towers. Ringing commenced on the fine peal of eight at 3 p.m., various methods being rung until nightfall brought a cessation. During the afternoon Mr. H. Percy Richardson gave a recital on the fine organ in the church, which was much appreciated by those present.

A committee meeting was held in the Schools, after which tea was served.

The business meeting followed, the President (the Rev. C. C. Marshall) being supported by the principal officers of the Association.

The proposal to abolish life membership, and to make a fixed annual subscription of 1s. 6d., was passed by a large majority.

Mr. G. B. Bolland gave a hearty invitation to the association to hold a general meeting at Tong, in September, and the meeting expressed its appreciation of their respected vice-president by enthusiastically accepting the generous invitation of Mr. Bolland.

A hearty vote of thanks to the president who is also Vicar of St. Chad's, was proposed by Mr. G. B. Bolland, this being seconded by Mr. J. R. Lawson, and the Chairman, in replying, said how pleased he was always to welcome the association to Headingley. He also promised to convey the warm thanks of the meeting to the wardens, and to Mr. Richardson, the organist, for his kindness in giving a special recital for the members of the association.

A vote of thanks to the local company for their kind arrangements, and to the ladies who assisted at the tea, was proposed by Mr. P. V. Johnson, and seconded by Mr. H. Williams.—Mr. W. Whitaker responded on behalf of the local company, and hoped they would visit Headingley again in the near future.

Before taking the committee roll call, the Chairman asked the meeting to rise uncovered, as a tribute to the memory of the late Mr. David Brearley, of Bolsterstone, who was an old and valued member of the association, and who was also a member of the general committee, the secretary at the same time being instructed to send a letter of condolence to Mrs. Brearley.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the chairman.



## NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

### NEW DIVISIONAL SCHEME ADOPTED.

A general meeting of the Norwich and Ipswich Association was held at Stowmarket on Easter Monday, and over fifty members attended from the counties of Norfolk and Suffolk. By kind permission of the incumbents, the ring of eight bells of the Parish Church of Stowmarket and also the rings of six at Great Finborough and Barking were available for the use of members. Dinner was served at the King's Head Hotel. The President (the Very Rev. the Dean of Norwich), supported by Rev. F. Fawcett (Vicar of Stowmarket), the curate and churchwardens of Stowmarket, the Rev. W. C. Kearson, the Rev. H. Drake, Mr. C. E. Borrett (vice-president), Messrs. G. I. Burton, A. L. Coleman (general secretary), W. L. Duffield, T. Fitzjohn, G. B. Symonds and E. E. Diaper, hon. secretary for the Stowmarket district.

After dinner, the toast of 'The King' was eloquently proposed by the president.

On the motion of the President, a vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicars and churchwardens for the use of their bells and was acknowledged by the Rev. F. Fawcett, Vicar of Stowmarket. The general business of the Association was then transacted. To facilitate the re-organisation of the association, the President suggested the suspension of the standing order in respect of the alterations of rules, and this was agreed to.

The Secretary, in giving a brief outline of the re-organisation scheme, said the association had shown great wisdom in not splitting into two associations when the diocese was divided. A strong association was a far greater power for the progress of the art of change ringing than two weak ones. The association had in the past on several occasions been the premier association, a position which could never again be attained if the association had been weakened by division. The scheme for re-organisation to be submitted to the members, he thought ideal—to continue as one powerful united association, with two branches a Norwich branch for Norfolk and an Ipswich branch for Suffolk, with a committee of government for each, which would bring the association into two convenient, workable areas, and double the number of general meetings. Each branch would still be sub-divided into districts as hitherto, with an hon. secretary for each district, whose duty it would be to arrange for periodic meetings in their districts, while the annual meeting of the association would be held alternately at Norwich and Ipswich as hitherto.

Coming to the business part of the proceedings, the Secretary announced that the committee had that morning elected 31 new members and re-elected five old members. The list of new members was read out and their election ratified; the Secretary also announced that Mr. Willoughby E. Maulden had been elected hon. secretary for the Framlingham district, and this election was also ratified.

Mr. E. C. Borrett proposed, and the Rev. H. Drake seconded, that the title of the association be amended to 'The Norwich and Ipswich Association of Ringers,' with a sub-title, 'For the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk,' and the motion, on being put to the meeting, was carried.

The President read out the proposed rules for the government of the branches, and after a short discussion, on the motion of Mr. G. E. Symonds, seconded by Mr. Hobart Smith, they were adopted.—It was resolved that the Association Rule XI. be deleted, and that the consequential alterations be made to Rules I., IV., VII. on the adoption of the new rules for the branches.

The Secretary read Mr. C. J. Sedgley's motion in respect of holding the annual meeting on August Bank Holiday handed in at the annual general meeting, October 9th, 1919, and this, receiving no support, was dropped.

The Secretary also read the Rev. H. Drake's six resolutions in respect of the proceedings of the Central Council, which were handed in at the annual meeting for discussion at this meeting.

It was felt that these resolutions dealt with matters for the representatives in Council to deal with rather than an association. On reconsideration, the Rev. H. Drake did not press his resolutions, and the matter dropped.

Before closing, the President asked all the members of the Ipswich branch to form a meeting to appoint an hon. secretary to convene a general meeting for the election of officers and committee for their branch. It was decided to elect the officers and committee for the Norwich Branch at the general meeting, to be held at Great Yarmouth on Whit-Monday, May 24th.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Dean of Norwich for presiding.

At the subsequent meeting of the Ipswich Branch Mr. Edward Youngs proposed, and Mr. W. Tydeman seconded, that Mr. George E. Symonds, of Ipswich, be appointed hon. secretary to convene a general meeting of the Ipswich Branch of the Association for the election of officers and committee. The motion on being put to the meeting was carried.—Mr. Edward Evans proposed, and the Rev. H. Drake seconded, that the meeting be held at Ipswich on Saturday, May 1st, 1920. This motion on being put to the meeting was also carried. Twenty-six Suffolk members were present.

## THE HOME-CALL OF MR. HENRY LEWIS.

### DEATH OF A ST. ALBANS VETERAN.

Mr. Henry Lewis, one of the pioneer change ringers of St. Albans fifty years ago, 'set his bell' on Thursday evening, April 8th, to the sorrow of his many ringing and other friends, after having completed a 'course' of 74 years. Familiarly known in ringing circles as 'Mr. Lewis,' he became endeared to many by his singularly happy disposition, his yarns of bygone days, ringing and ornithological, recounted at the Easter meeting at St. Albans, in the street, and at other times, affording delight to his many friends. He was passionately fond of ringing, and he had the satisfaction of knowing that success followed his perseverance. His father, the late Mr. John Lewis, a prominent citizen and Mayor of St. Albans in 1856, was also a bell ringer, and by his efforts raised sufficient money to present in 1868 two trebles to St. Peter's Church, making the peal into twelve. Much has been said from time to time as to the quality of these new trebles, but Mr. Lewis, senior, appeared quite satisfied, for commenting upon the peal to his son Henry on the first trial touch, rung specially for Mr. Henry Haley to hear, said 'they sounded like a great band of music. The town appear delighted with the addition—so far it is gratifying to me.' A marble slab, recording the gift, can still be seen upon the walls of the belfry. It is interesting to place on record that the first 'touch' of call changes upon the ring of twelve was rung on Friday, May 8th, 1868, by the following men, mostly local: Henry Haley 1, G. Harton 2, Francomb 3, John Lewis 4, William 5, W. Hull 6, J. Lawrence 7, Baptiste 8, G. Richardson 9, T. Woolfield 10, T. Waller 11, Ellis 12.

In 1876 there existed at St. Albans a society called 'The St. Albans Society of Change Ringers,' the late Mr. Henry Lewis being 7th Master, and Mr. E. P. Debenham secretary. Mr. J. R. Haworth and Matt. Wood, both of London, acted as instructors to the company. From a report issued in January, 1877, the members seemed satisfied with their progress, for in it they stated that 'the officers believe that the society is now on a firm footing, and if progress is made during the coming year in proportion to that which is now drawing to a close, the St. Albans Society of Change Ringers will, they trust, soon attain to a prominent place among the ringing societies of Hertfordshire.' But this high position was not reached, and the society came to an end.

In October, 1884, a meeting was held at the Rectory of the Abbey Church, with the Rev. Walter J. Lawrence in the chair, when the Hertford County Association of Change Ringers was founded. Mr. Henry Lewis was present on that occasion, becoming one of its constituted members, and during the 36 years of its existence he has passed through the presidential chair, and continued his membership to the end. The list of constituted members is now remarkably small, reminding us that 'time and tide wait for no man.'

Mr. Lewis was buried at St. Albans Cemetery, on Tuesday, April 13th, when, in addition to the family mourners, there were present at the graveside Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham (president), E. P. Debenham (treasurer), G. W. Cartmel (secretary), and E. Livermore (librarian), officers of the County Association and members of the St. Peter's Society, and Mr. W. H. Buckingham. At the conclusion of the service, Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, Debenham, Cartmel and Livermore assembled round the grave and rang a course of Grandsire Triples upon the handbells, a fitting good-bye to a dear brother ringer, many of the family being deeply moved by this parting touch of affection.

The first portion of the service, which was choral, was kindly taken by the Rev. Canon Glossop, at St. Peter's Church (in the tower of which the deceased had spent so many happy hours) and the committal sentences at the cemetery by the Rev. E. E. Pinnix, curate-in-charge of St. John's Church. There were many beautiful floral emblems. The St. Peter's Society contributed a wreath, and the Herts Association a perfectly shaped floral bell with clapper complete, bearing the following inscription: 'A tribute of respect from the President, Officers and members of the Hertford County Association of Change Ringers.'

By a coincidence, the local newspaper which reported his death also contained among the excerpts of 50 years ago, April 2nd, 1870, Mr. Lewis's first peal of Grandsire Triples, Holt's Original, which was rung at St. Peter's Church. Mr. Ted Horrex, who is still going strong in peal ringing, rang the tenor upon that occasion. Mr. Lewis rang about 20 peals upon handbells, and in the tower, in Stedman, Grandsire and Bob Methods, his business that of a chemist preventing him from indulging to the full in peal ringing. He derived the greatest enjoyment in handbell ringing, and many peals and beautiful touches have been rung in the little room at the back of the shop. Those days cannot be recalled, and we think of our brother now in the presence of him he tried consistently to follow. One desire of Mr. Lewis was not fulfilled, and that was to reinstate the two trebles which his father had such an interest in. If this could be done by the family, or by subscription, it would form a fitting memorial to our departed friend, and give back to Hertfordshire its only peal of twelve bells.

Throughout Sunday, April 11th, and on the evening of the funeral, the St. Peter's Society rang the bells half-muffled. G. W. C.

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## NOTICES.

**E. BERKS AND S. BUCKS BRANCH, OXFORD D.G.**—St. George's Day, 1920. — Members and friends are invited to Beaconsfield on Saturday, April 24th, to celebrate the above. Evening service at St. Mary's at 5 o'clock; preacher, the Bishop of Buckingham. Tea by special invitation at 5.30, at the Old Rectory, Lord Burnham presiding. The Tower bells available 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m.—W. H. Fussell, Secretary, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Estab. 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at King's Norton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells available from 4 o'clock.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Beckenham on Saturday, April 24th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., address by the Rev. J. T. Plowden-Wardlaw (Rector); tea and business meeting to follow in the Church House.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The next meeting of the above District will be held at Market Weighton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells available from 1 p.m. Service in Church at 4. Tea at 5 p.m.—W. Hinton, Hon. District Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Wem, Salop, on Saturday, April 24th. Ringing; tea at Temperance Hall, near church; meeting.—Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at the Old Church, Handsworth, on Saturday, April 24th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4 o'clock. Tea will be arranged, if possible, for those who notify me of their intention to be present by the previous Thursday. Business important. It is hoped every member will make an effort to attend. All ringers welcome. — S. Pigott, 41, Cemetery Road, Smethwick.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch. — A meeting for united practice will be held at Standish on April 24th. Bells (8) available from 3 till 8 p.m.—E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.** — The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 24th. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. Tea, at the Co-operative Hall, Free School Lane (off Silver Street), at 5 p.m., at a charge of 2s. 3d. each. Business meeting immediately after tea. The various towers in the City will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Will those who intend being present at tea kindly notify their respective branch secretaries or send direct to Mr. Geo. Chester, 16, Carline Road, Lincoln?

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting of the Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch will be held at Frome to-morrow (Saturday), April 24th. Tea and business at 4 p.m. Evensong at 6 p.m.—I. B. Holmyard, School House, Midsomer Norton, Bath.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Short notice of meeting.—Eastern Division. The annual meeting of this division will be held at Hailsham to-morrow (Saturday), April 24th, 1920. Tower open 3 to 8 p.m., tea 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—G. H. Howse, Hon. Sec., Eastern Division.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Combined practice at Great Milton (8 bells), near Wallingford, and Oxford, Saturday, April 24th, 4-8. All ringers welcome.—R. T. Hibbert, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch. —The next Branch meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Newchurch, on Saturday, April 24th. Bells ready at 5 o'clock; meeting at 7 o'clock. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom, Lancs.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Yatton on Saturday, April 24th. Bells available 3.30. Divine service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5.30.—Percy Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Netley on Saturday, April 24th. Bells 2.30. Service 5 p.m. Tea 6 o'clock (8d. each) for members who acquaint me by Tuesday, the 20th.—E. J. Harding, District Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—S. & W. District.—A meeting will be held at St. Lawrence, Brentford, on Thursday, April 29th. Ringing from 6 p.m. Short business meeting to follow. — W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Dorchester Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at West Lulworth on Thursday, April 29th. Bells (also Wool) from 2 p.m. Guild service 4.30, followed by tea (kindly provided by the Vicar) and business meeting. All ringers welcome. — C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Clun District. —The annual meeting will be held at St. George's Church, Clun, on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (8) ready at 2.30. Tea at 5, followed by business meeting. Short service 6.30, when an address will be given by Rev. S. Dugdale, M.A.—W. Mead, Hon. Sec., Clun, Salop.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The annual meeting will be held at Chesterfield on Saturday, May 1st, ten bells, from 2 o'clock. Short service in church at 5, followed by business and tea at 1s. 6d. per head to all those who notify Mr. G. Hollis, 37, Reservoir Terrace, Chesterfield, not later than Tuesday, April 27th. — Sam Thomas, 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.** — North and East District.—Next meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, on Saturday, May 1st. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. The Rector and the St. Giles' Guild of Ringers invite the members to tea at 5.45 p.m., in the Church House, Dyott Street. Ringing afterwards at St. Andrew's, Wells Street. All members accepting invitation to tea should let me know by April 27th.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E. 17.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, May 1st, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—Next meeting at Northenden Saturday, May 1st.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec.



**OLDHAM AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting will be held at St. Thomas's, Moorside, on Saturday, May 1st. Bells ready at 3.30. Tea will be provided in the School, all names for same to be sent in by April 26th to Mr. C. Platt, 15, Dickens Street, Moorside, Oldham.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Silverdale (8) and Keele (6) on Saturday, May 1st, 1920. Please notify me on or before April 26th, 1920, how many intend to be present from your tower. Tea will be provided at Keele at 5.30.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Guilsborough on Saturday, May 1st. Ringing at 2 o'clock. Service at 3 o'clock. Tea and meeting at 4 o'clock. To form a new district of the above. Those requiring tea please notify Fred Wilfred, General Sec., 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—A quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Marden (6 bells) on Saturday, May 1st. Bells available 4 p.m. Tea, if possible, 5.30. Free to members notifying me not later than April 27th.—C. Edwards, District Sec., Great Brampton, Madly, Hereford.

**WENDENS AMBO** (close to Audley End Station, G.E.R.).—A joint practice of the Ely and St. Edmundsbury Diocesan and Essex Associations will be held at Wendens Ambo (6 bells) on Saturday afternoon and evening, May 1st. All ringers welcome.—A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

**LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Bridgend (and not at St. Nicholas as proposed) on Saturday, May 1st, at 4.45. Tea provided.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Ipswich Branch.—A general meeting will be held at Ipswich on Saturday, May 1st. The rings of St. Mary-le-Tower, St. Margaret and St. Matthew will be available during afternoon and evening. Business meeting at St. Stephen's Hall at 3.30 p.m. to elect officers and committee for Ipswich Branch. Good attendance requested.—G. E. Symonds, Hon. Branch Sec. pro tem., 28, Chevallier Street, Ipswich.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Toddington, on Saturday, May 1st. Service, with an address by the Rev. W. A. Warner, M.C., at 5 p.m. Tea will be provided, names to be sent to me not later than April 27th. Bells (6) 3 p.m.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—The dinner will be held at the Old Bell, Holborn, on Saturday, 1st May, at 6 p.m. Tickets 8/6 each. Members intending to be present are requested to apply for their tickets early.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., School House, Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—A special meeting will take place at Croydon on Wednesday, May 5th. The ten bells at St. Peter's will be available from 2 p.m. A visit will be made to the foundry of Messrs. Gillett & Johnston at 3.15, followed at 5 o'clock by tea in the Canteen, by kind

invitation of Mr. Cyril Johnston. Will members and their friends who intend to be present kindly send a postcard by the Monday previous to Edith K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield?

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Chilham on Saturday, May 8th. The bells will be available during the afternoon. Service in church at 5 p.m. Tea, followed by business meeting, after. Tea will be provided for members who send their names to me not later than Tuesday, May 4th.—Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, Hon. District Sec., Elmsted Vicarage, Ashford, Kent.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held at Salisbury in celebration of the 700th anniversary of the Cathedral foundation, on Saturday, May 8th. Meeting in Church House 1.15. President, the Earl of Shaftesbury. Festival service in Cathedral 3 p.m. Sermon by the Bishop. Tea, by his lordship's kind invitation, in Palace grounds. Those intending to be present please write at once to Major D'Aeth, Buckhorn Weston, Wincanton, Somerset. Towers open: St. Martin's, St. Edmund's (8), Fisherton, Britford, Coombe Bissett, Dinton, Wishford (6).—F. L. Edwards, Secretary.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available at 3 p.m. To facilitate tea arrangements will all who intend to come kindly sent me a p.c. by May 6th.—Wm. Nash, North Mynms Hatfield, Hon. District Secretary.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Darwen on Saturday, May 8th, 1920. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting 3.30 p.m. A special meeting will be held at the Blackburn Parish Church on Saturday, May 15th, to unveil a memorial tablet erected to the memory of the fallen ringers of the branch. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Unveiling at 4.15, followed by a short service. A tea will be provided in the school at 5.30, for which a charge of 1s. 9d. will be made. All applications for tea to reach Mr. A. Tomlinson, 57, Boxwood Street, Blackburn, not later than Wednesday, May 12th.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary, 33, Langham Road.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at New Romney on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Tea provided by the Vicar (Rev. H. South) for all those who notify me of their intention of being present by May 4th.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Brighton on Saturday, May 8th, 1920. Ringing: St. Nicholas (10) from 11 a.m., St. Peter's (10) from 12 a.m. Lunch at St. Nicholas Parish Hall 1.30 p.m., 4s. each (members 2s.). Business meeting to follow. Service at St. Nicholas 4.30 p.m. Half railway fares. All members are asked to attend, and those who will be present for lunch please let me know by May 5th.—H. R. Butcher, Gen. Hon. Sec., Kent View, Crowborough.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Meetings for combined practice will be held at Heston first Saturday in each month at 7 p.m.; Isleworth third Saturday in each month at 7 p.m.; Ealing (St. Stephen's), last Saturday in each month at 7 p.m.



**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

### AN INTERESTING CENTENARY.

Last Saturday was the centenary of the first peal of Kent Treble Bob Maximus ever rung. This was at St. Martin's, Birmingham, and is recorded on a tablet in the belfry as follows:—

The company of St. Martin's Youths, Birmingham, desirous to leave beneath some memento of their labours which may excite posterity to emulate them in the science of ringing cause THIS TABLET to record two excellent peals of changes rung on the twelve bells of this church by the persons whose names are inscribed thereon.

On April 17th, 1820

a Peal of New Treble Bob Maximus,  
consisting of 7,200 changes, in 5 hrs. 8 mins.

Wm. Bennett	Treble.	Samuel Lawrence	7
Jas. Jarvis	2	Joseph Grayson	8
Wm. Hassall	3	Joseph Riley	9
Thos. Worrall	4	Thos. Chapman	10
Alex. Sanders	5	Wm. Marsh	11
Henry Cooper	6	Thos. Thurstans	Tenor.

Conducted by Henry Cooper.

The other peal recorded on the tablet was rung in December, 1820, and was the first peal of Stedman Cinques out of London.

At the Church of St. Mary Within-the-Halls, Chester, for evening service, on Sunday, January 11th, a date touch of Kent Treble Bob Major (1920 changes) was rung in 1 hr. 13 mins., by: \*E. Harrison 1, \*G. Jones 2, Sergt. J. W. Davies 3, R. Sperring (inside) 4, \*M. Harris 5, \*A. Newell 6, F. G. Milton 7, G. Gerrard 8. \* Longest length in method.

A course of Cambridge Royal was rung at All Saints' Church, Worcester, on the occasion of the annual meeting of the Worcestershire Association. It was whispered that this is to be the method for the Association's 'annual' peal attempt. Mr. Bill Short is responsible for the arrangements. Verb. sap.

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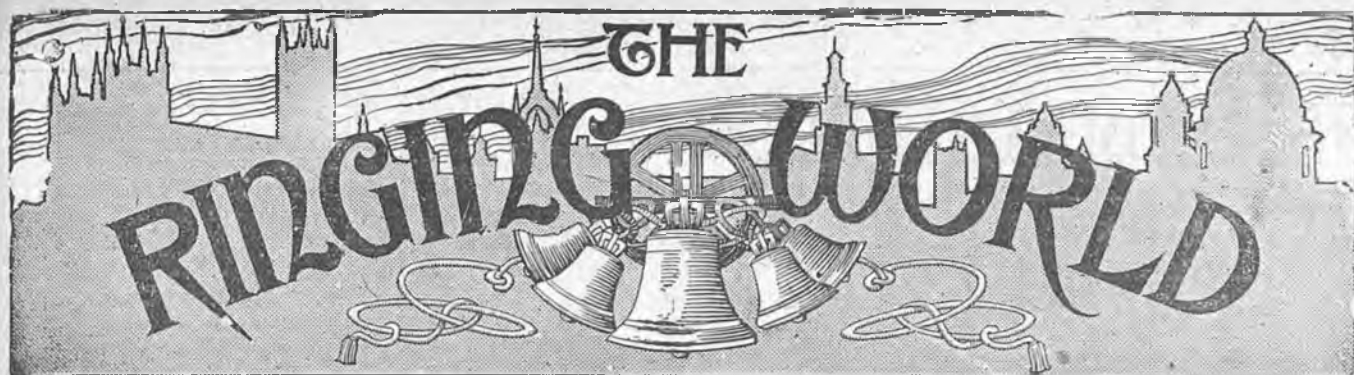
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## NON-RESIDENTS' SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The question of inter-affiliation for members of Associations has again been raised at one annual meeting, but the present is scarcely an appropriate time for putting forward this scheme, when so many organisations are contemplating an increase in the subscription of non-resident members. In the past a small inclusive life-membership fee for those residing outside the area of an Association has been the means whereby a large number of ringers have become members of numerous societies all over the country, usually on the occasions of peal ringing. This has been a very useful source of income, and one which associations would not lightly throw over in any event. Again, the payment of a definite admission fee gives the ringer a certain sense of direct relationship with the organisations which he joins in this way, and a close and more permanent interest in their doings than he would have under an inter-affiliation scheme. These arguments applied in the 'good old days' before the war, but, in view of present financial difficulties, inter-affiliation is less likely to commend itself, now that executives are looking round for methods to augment the incomes. Just at the moment the principal question is how to provide more funds, rather than cheaper facilities for members.

Opinion seems to vary as to the effect that raising non-resident members' entrance fees is likely to have. On the one hand, it is felt that when ordinary members are having their contributions increased, those who come in from outside should similarly be asked to pay more. On the other hand, there is the fear that a larger tribute from the casual visitor will result in fewer life members, as many of those who wish to join for the sake of a peal will prefer to pay one annual subscription and then drop out. This difficulty might be got over by making it a rule that any ringer living outside the area covered by the Association should be admitted only on life membership terms, and not given the option of becoming an annual subscriber, although, we dare say, many of our readers would object to the adoption of such a course. At any rate, the question of out-members' contributions is a rather knotty problem, and the best test as to the advisability of raising the fees against would-be members of this class will be provided by time. A seven-and-sixpenny fee, such as proposed by the Middlesex Association, for instance, may be considered a rather large toll to take from a man who wants to ring just one peal with the Society, although for the man who is going to make frequent use of his privilege it is not an exorbitant amount to ask. It will be interesting to watch the experience of the Middlesex Association in this matter.

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WISTANSTOW, SHROPSHIRE.  
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On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

*JACK GARBETT ... ..	Treble	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... ..	5
GEORGE L. HEWITT ... ..	2	*ALBERT WOODVINE ... ..	6
BERT RIXOM ... ..	3	†WALTER LAGO ... ..	7
*EDWARD WOODVINE ... ..	4	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Major with a bob bell. The ringers would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Rev. W. M. De-la-Touche for the use of the bells, also for entertaining them to tea afterwards.

RANMORE COMMON, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb in E.

MRS. C. H. DOBBIE ... ..	Treble	GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	5
ALFRED A. DOBINSON ... ..	2	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... ..	6
JOHN T. SCOTT ... ..	3	ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	7
JOHN H. WHITE ... ..	4	WILLIAM LYNCH ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

HOLM LACY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

E. BANKES JAMES' FIVE-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM H. SYMONDS ... ..	Treble	*DAVID HORNE ... ..	5
CHARLES EDWARDS ... ..	2	CHARLES LAYTON ... ..	6
SIDNEY T. RACKHAM ... ..	3	WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... ..	7
WILLIAM POSTON ... ..	4	JOHN CLARKE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

\* First peal on eight bells.

NEW SHOREHAM.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

BERT CHALLEN ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM HILLMAN ... ..	5
FREDERICK W. CRIPPS ... ..	2	FRANK BENNETT ... ..	6
ALFRED W. GROVES ... ..	3	EDMUND LINDUP ... ..	7
REGINALD BROUGH ... ..	4	HENRY STALHAM ... ..	Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

STEYNING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES**

Tenor 12 cwt.

HENRY STALHAM ... ..	Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... ..	5
BERT CHALLEN ... ..	2	LOUIS ATTWATER ... ..	6
REGINALD BROUGH ... ..	3	ROBERT C. PRIDGEON ... ..	7
HERBERT RANN ... ..	4	EDMUND H. LINDUP ... ..	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Mr. Brough hails from Croydon and was elected a member previous to starting.



CLAPHAM PARK.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At St. Stephen's Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 17 cwt.	
WILLIAM S. LANGDON ... .. Treble	FRANK BALL ... .. 5	WILLIAM A. ALPS ... .. 6	
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 2	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 7	ALFRED JOYCE ... .. Tenor	
CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 3			
HORACE ADAMS ... .. 4			

Conducted by THOMAS LANGDON.

Rung as a compliment to the conductor, Mr. T. Langdon, in celebration of his silver wedding. The majority of the band were afterwards entertained by Mr. and Mrs. T. Langdon at their residence.

NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt.	
WALTER BOTTOMLEY ... .. Treble	GERALD MOORHOUSE ... .. 5
MALCOLM MOORHOUSE ... .. 2	JOHN JOYCE ... .. 6
ALBERT JAGGER ... .. 3	JOE GREENWOOD ... .. 7
FIELDING CROSSLEY ... .. 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

This composition contains the extent of the 5th in 5-6 and the extent of the 5th in 6th's place, and is now rung for the first time.

CUBITT TOWN, POPLAR, E.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

At CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.	
ARTHUR MASON ... .. Treble	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 6
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 3	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 7
THOMAS H. HAWKINS ... .. 4	DALBY RODGSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Rev. C. S. Coldwell, age 82, at one time Vicar of Christ Church, and to Miss Mary Ellen Hart, of Cubitt Town, both recently deceased.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.		Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr.	
VINCENT BUTLER ... .. Treble	WALTER CROSS ... .. 5	HUGH BEECHY ... .. 6	
FRANK DAINTY ... .. 2	FREDERICK T. COOKE ... 7	FRANK DAVIS ... .. Tenor	
*THOMAS VAUGHAN ... .. 3			
*SIDNEY WRIGHT ... .. 4			

Conducted by FREDERICK T. COOKE.

\* First peal of Triples. This is believed to be the first peal on the bells, and all the ringers belong to St. John's company.

NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD  
DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt.	
WILLIAM BIGGIN ... .. Treble	ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... .. 5
JOHN HOLMAN ... .. 2	ARTHUR CRAVEN ... .. 6
REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. 3	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 7
*ARTHUR HAGUE ... .. 4	SAM THOMAS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN.

Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

\* First peal of Superlative. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the memory of David Brearley, who died on March 28th.

HENLEY SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes

At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb. in A flat.	
EDWARD EVANS ... .. Treble	THOMAS W. LAST ... .. 5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ... 2	*SGT. JAMES BENNETT, R.M. 6
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 7
*GEORGE BENNETT ... .. 4	ARTHUR S. BOAR ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

\* First peal in the method.

BARKING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.	
ROWLAND FENN ... .. Treble	FRANK C. NEWMAN ... .. 5
HENRY W. KIRTON ... .. 2	GEORGE W. FAULKNER ... 6
ARTHUR W. WORBOYS ... .. 3	CALEB FENN ... .. 7
GEORGE COTTIS ... .. 4	ALBERT C. HARDY ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by CALEB FENN.

Rung on the birthday of F. C. Newman. H. W. Kirton hails from Writtle.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.	
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. Treble	JOHN SMITH ... .. 5
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
JOHN BASS ... .. 3	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 7
JOHN WITHERS ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

The band wish to thank the Rector for readily granting permission to ring, and also Mr. W. Potter for making all arrangements at short notice.

SYSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER.)

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

At THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

A VARIATION OF HALEY'S.		Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.	
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. Treble	R. HENRY BARTRAM ... .. 5	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... 6	
WILLIAM H. B. MUNDY ... .. 2	ALFRED MARTIN ... .. 7	THOMAS TAYLOR ... .. Tenor	
WILLIAM HUMBERSTONE ... 3			
DET.-SGT. H. G. JENNEY ... 4			

Conducted by FRED H. DEXTER.

First peal of Stedman on the bells.

WETHERBY, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Three Hours,

At THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.	
JAMES R. KEMP ... .. Treble	JAMES COTTERELL ... .. 5
GEORGE ROBINSON ... .. 2	WALTER LODGE ... .. 6
MISS OLIVE L. LUMLEY ... .. 3	HENRY LINDSAY ... .. 7
WILLIAM BARTON ... .. 4	PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

First peal in the method by the ringers of the 3rd and 4th, and first peal on the bells, which were opened in July, 1919, and were cast by Messrs. John Taylor and Co.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

BREDENBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, March 13, 1920, in Three Hours,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor  $8\frac{1}{2}$  cwt.  
CHARLES BETHELL ... Treble \* JAMES HAMER ... 4  
WILLIAM WATKINS ... 2 RICHARD BETHELL ... 5  
\* WILLIAM MANTLE ... 3 ALFRED TOMKINS ... Tenor  
Conducted by ALFRED TOMKINS.

First peal of Minor for all the band. Rung at first attempt.  
\* First peal.

HEMPSTEAD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(GLOUCESTER BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 30 six-scores of Grandsire and 12 six-scores of St. Dunstan's.  
A. HARRIS ... Treble W. H. HEIRON ... 4  
CAPT. BENNETT, C.A. ... 2 A. MARTIN ... 5  
A. WARD ... 3 A. ELDRIDGE ... Tenor  
Conducted by A. MARTIN.

HANLEY CASTLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, April 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. GABRIEL,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob,  
College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.  
ERNEST E. BARBER ... Treble WILLIAM RANFORD ... 4  
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... 2 CHARLES CAMM ... 5  
ERNEST GIBBS ... 3 ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... Tenor  
Conducted by CHARLES CAMM.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late  
Rev. J. H. R. Barlow, who was interred at St. Gabriel's the same day.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford  
Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 10 cwt.  
CHARLES NUNN ... Treble ALPHAEUS BERRY ... 4  
EDWARD YOUNGS ... 2 FREDERICK WATLING ... 5  
GEORGE BAILEY ... 3 WILLIAM ROSE ... Tenor  
Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

THURLEIGH, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double  
Court, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor. Tenor 17 cwt.  
\* FREDERICK H. ALLEN ... Treble R. CHARLES ALLEN ... 4  
W. ARCHDALE NORMAN ... 2 HENRY W. GAYTON ... 5  
GILBERT F. BELL ... 3 EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... Tenor  
Conducted by EDWARD P. DUFFIELD.

\* First peal. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of the organist  
of the above Church.

MILES PLATTING, MANCHESTER.—On March 16th, at St. John's  
Church, in 45 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: A. Mercer 1, J. Hall 2, Miss Emma Tongue 3, W. H. Shaker 4, F. Page 5, W. W. Wolstencroft (conductor) 6, J. Wilson 7, F. Stoneley 8. Longest length for the ringer of the 7th, who, with the ringer of the 5th, is attached to the city's police force bell ringers.

GEDNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(ELLOE DEANERIES BRANCH.)

On Friday, April 9, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 15 cwt.  
JOHN T. M. FLETCHER ... Treble \* HARRY V. FLETCHER, JUN. 4  
HARRY V. FLETCHER, SEN. 2 THOMAS HANNAH ... 5  
WILLIAM HANNAH ... 3 ROBERT RICHARDSON ... Tenor  
Conducted by ROBERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal.

BELTON, RUTLAND.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION  
AND ST. PETER'S GUILD, BELTON.

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 of Kent Treble Bob, 720 of Single Court, two 720's of Plain Bob and three 720's of Oxford Bob. Tenor  $10\frac{1}{2}$  cwt.  
\* PTE. H. KENDALL (Suffolk Regt.) ... Treble PTE. F. STANFORTH (R.A. O.C.) ... 4  
CPL. H. CHURCHILL (Leicester Regt.) ... 2 PTE. F. T. BINDLEY, M.M. (Leicester Regt.) ... 5  
\* PTE. A. BUZZARD (K.O.R. Lancs) ... 3 SGT. E. MORRIS (R.A.S.C.) Tenor  
Conducted by SERGT. ERNEST MORRIS, R.A.S.C.

\* First peal. Great credit is due to the 2nd ringer for the wonderful way he manipulated his bell, striking it perfectly throughout. His right arm was entirely shot away on the Somme at Bazentin Wood, July 14th, 1916.

PETTISTREE, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford, Kent, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.  
\* ERNEST H. DUNNETT ... Treble GEORGE R. FINCH ... 4  
FRANK L. FISHER ... 2 CHARLES E. FISHER ... 5  
GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... 3 NORMAN R. BAILEY ... Tenor  
Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

\* First peal in seven methods.

BRITTFORD.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 42 Six-scores.  
\* A. FRY ... Treble \* W. WRIGHT ... 4  
† F. W. ROMAINE ... 2 † L. HARRIS ... 5  
E. DIBBEN ... 3 C. GAISFORD ... Tenor  
Conducted by L. HARRIS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Grandsire. First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells. The ringer of the 3rd was elected a member before starting.

BROMHAM, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. OWEN,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor. Tenor 23 cwt.  
E. CHARLES ALLEN ... Treble R. CHARLES ALLEN ... 4  
W. ARCHDALE NORMAN ... 2 ALBERT J. BARCOCK ... 5  
GILBERT F. BELL ... 3 EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... Tenor  
Conducted by EDWARD P. DUFFIELD.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****ALTERATIONS TO RULES.**

The annual gathering of the Beds Association was held at Bedford on Easter Monday, and those present took away with them memories of a very pleasant and satisfactory meeting. The bells of St. Paul's and St. Peter's, Bedford, and Elstow, were available during the morning. St. Paul's being raised shortly after 9 a.m., and kept going until the hour of the service at 12.15. This was conducted by the Vicar of St. Paul's, who also gave, in a short address, an Easter message of victory and peace. He exhorted the ringers, when ringing for their various purposes, to carry out their duties in a manner worthy of the highest traditions of church workers, and ministers doing God's holy work.

Service was followed by a luncheon served in the Drill Hall of the St. Paul's Church Lads' Brigade, kindly lent for the purpose. Close upon fifty sat down. The business meeting was rather lengthy. Miss Evelyn Steel (vice-president) occupied the chair, in the regretted absence of the president, and amongst those present were Canon J. H. Speck, Rev. R. Copeman, Miss D. D. Steel, Messrs. F. Hopper (president, Central Northants Association), W. Perkins, A. Tyler, W. Rogers, J. R. Sharman (London), J. Houghton, A. E. Sharman (district secretary), H. L. Harlow (district secretary), and E. P. Duffield (general secretary). Apologies for absence were received from the Revs. J. L. Gilbert, J. J. Atkins, C. Squires, Messrs. C. A. Pratt and A. King, whilst the late secretary, the Rev. A. Rust, sent his best wishes for a successful meeting.

The committee's report was read and adopted, and the balance sheet which showed a balance on the year's working of £2 19s. was approved. Canon W. W. C. Baker was re-elected president; Messrs. E. Ransom, Charles Herbert, and Miss E. Steel re-elected vice-presidents with the addition of Mr. A. King. Mr. Edward P. Duffield was again elected hon. secretary and treasurer, and Mr. F. W. Tuqueray hon. auditor. The officers were thanked for their past services, and six new members were elected.

On the proposition of Mr. Harlow, Rule 6 was altered to read:— 'All subscriptions are due on January 1st,' instead of Easter, thus making the year of the Association January 1st to December 31st. This will enable reports to be printed in time for the annual meeting. A proposition to raise the non-resident members' subscription to 5s was withdrawn, it being felt that it would be in the interest of the Association for it to remain at 3s. In connection with this, Mr. Mar-

low expressed himself in favour of some kind of inter-affiliation, and so abolish the present system of non-resident subscriptions.

On the propositions of Mr. Harlow and the Hon. Secretary respectively, Rule 11 was altered as follows: 'The time and place of the annual meeting shall be fixed at the annual general meeting,' and the following words omitted: 'Half fares shall be paid to members attending the annual meeting.'

Bedford was again chosen as the venue for the annual meeting of 1921, and Woburn for the summer festival.

The Chairman proposed that the hon. secretary be instructed to write to the hon. secretary of the Herts Association, suggesting that a peal should be rung at St. Albans on April 22nd on the occasion of the enthronement of the new Lord Bishop of St. Albans by a band representative of the two associations. The counties of Herts and Beds constitute the Diocese of St. Albans, and it was thought that this would be an appropriate method of welcoming the new Bishop, and of showing good fellowship between the two societies. The secretary had been instructed to invite the Bishop to become the patron of the association, a position held by the late Bishop. (The Secretary of the Herts Association has since replied to the hon. secretary's letter declining the suggestion of a combined peal of welcome. As explained elsewhere, illness made this impossible.)

On the question of the Central Council's powers and the so-called 'enforcement of decisions,' the opinion prevalent was that any such change would be unnecessary, and certainly not a practical suggestion. It was felt that if the Council gave a lead, ringers at large would follow its suggestions, and that no ringing societies would cut themselves off from other ringing bodies by severing their connection with the link that holds them together. It was felt that the Council was appreciated in that it keeps record of such matters as peal totals, and other inter-association affairs, irrespective of its other useful work. It was held that some ringers expect of the Council what it was never intended for.

The usual votes of thanks to the chairman for presiding, and to the incumbents for the use of their bells, concluded the meeting.

Further ringing was indulged in until about 7 p.m., the methods rung including Stedman and Grandsire Caters, Treble Ten, London, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major.

Eight Georges of the Midlands celebrated the festival of the patron saint of England by a peal of Stedman Triples at Harborne.

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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

We are asked to announce that the winning number of the draw at Okbury for 12 handbells is 470, the winner being Mr. J. Fisher, Red Hill, Dudley.

On the day of enthronement of the Bishop of St. Albans, illness, in close proximity to the Cathedral, made it impossible to attempt a peal. Also ringing at St. Peter's was curtailed through illness of Mr. T. Waller, a very old ringer. We hear that Mr. Waller is now much better.

Holt's Original has just been rung at the Church of St. John de Sepulchre, Norwich, and it is interesting to recall that it was at St. Giles' Church, Norwich, that the Original was first called without 'prompts,' this being in the year 1751.

Ringers with a sweet tooth who propose to attend the meeting of the Middlesex Association at St. Giles-in-the-Fields next Saturday are asked 'to bring their own sugar.'

### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. BRISTOL BRANCH AND A CLERICAL VICE-PRESIDENT.

At the monthly meeting of the Bristol Branch, held at Iron Acton on April 17th, the following resolution was brought forward by Mr. H. T. Howell: 'That a clergyman be selected from the list of honorary members to be an acting vice-president, and take an active part in the Association, and shall be a member of the Executive and Management Committees.'—This was seconded by Mr. E. Guise, general secretary, and supported by Mr. R. J. Wilkins, who said it was a step in the right direction to get a clergyman interested in ringing to be at the head of affairs. They had had one in the position of Master for the last two years, and did not want to lose him; but as the office of Master was an annual one, and there were so many good ringers capable of filling it, it should go round, and it had come to the time when they should make the new office.—The resolution was carried unanimously, and will be brought before the committee at the next meeting at Lydney.

### LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. NORTHERN BRANCH MEETING.

A meeting of the Gainsborough District was held at Corringham, on Saturday, April 10th, and although the weather was not altogether propitious, a good number were present, from Gainsborough, Stow, Bigby and Misterton, in addition to the local company. The bells, a nice and handy ring of six, were available during the afternoon and evening, and kept going in the methods of Grandire, Plain Bob and Treble Bob.

Tea was provided in the Schoolroom, to which 28 sat down, and was followed by the business meeting. The Rev. R. Thornton, Vicar of Corringham, presided, and was supported by the Revs. J. Barber and H. T. Parry, incumbents of Stow and Bigby respectively.

The Chairman gave a very hearty welcome to the Guild.—The following were elected as performing members: Messrs. W. Cooper, G. Anderson, E. Atkinson, E. Dalingwater, H. Morgan, A. Hewitt, J. Noble, all of Gainsborough, and H. Denton, of Stow.

Votes of thanks to the church authorities for the use of the bells; Mrs. Prescott for so kindly undertaking the arrangements for the tea, and others who had helped to make the meeting a success concluded the business. Evensong followed, and was attended by a good number of the ringers. Further ringing then took place until close upon eight o'clock, when a successful and profitable meeting, particularly for the younger members, was brought to a close.

### ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the above Association was held at Bury St. Edmunds, on Easter Monday. A short service was held in the Cathedral Church of St. James, conducted by the Rev. Canon R. F. Wilson, who, in his address, spoke of the important duties devolving upon ringers, and urged them not to forget that such duties involved responsibilities.

After the service, twenty-eight ringers sat down to lunch at the Suffolk Hotel, the Rev. H. B. Woolley, Vicar of Long Stanton, Cambs, presiding. The unsettled state of the weather no doubt had a good deal to do in preventing a larger attendance.

At the conclusion of lunch the business meeting was held, the Rev. H. B. Woolley being in the chair.

The report and balance sheet were read and adopted; eleven new members were elected, and thirteen others were re-elected.

Mr. T. R. Dennis, the general secretary, having expressed a desire to resign on account of ill-health and increasing work, Mr. A. E. Austin, of Great Shelford, Cambs, was unanimously elected as general secretary.—The Chairman said they ought not to break up that day without thanking Mr. Dennis for all his services. He was sure they appreciated very much the work that Mr. Dennis had done, and hoped that he might be spared many years longer to give them his experience and advice.

Ringing took place during the day on the Cathedral bells (10), St. Mary's, Bury St. Edmunds (8) and Horringer (8).



## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. SUBSCRIPTIONS INCREASED.

The annual general meeting of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild was held at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, April 10th, and the attendance, whilst not a record one, was well up to the average, between 70 and 80 members attending during the afternoon and evening. The bells at St. Mary's, Putney, as well as those at Fulham, were at the disposal of the members, and good use was made of both peals, most of the standard methods from Grandsire Triples to Cambridge Surprise Royal, being rung.

The service was taken by the Vicar of Fulham (the Rev. G. K. S. Marshall, M.A.), who based his address on Rev. xxi. 17, 'The April and the Bride say, Come.' This, he said, 'is the message of the Holy Spirit of God to His Church—“Come.” Put away all indulgence in sin and selfishness, and in its place set up love, righteousness, truth. Blessed are those who are privileged to send out the message—“Come, come and worship.” The call has been echoed all down the ages, and in time the church found out a new way to sound the invitation. Thus it is that we have towers with peals of bells to give out the most Christian message, “Come and worship God.” The first bell ringers were earnest Christians, and their hearts were more in the message than in the bells. The privilege of their work came first; and it was the sacredness of the message of the bells that gave them their work and meaning. Of all our powers the greatest is sympathy, and most of all in matters of religion. If ringers are in sympathy with their message the bells will ring true; if they are sincere and loyal Christians the bells will appeal to the spirit of those who hear them and will evoke a response. Otherwise the bells no doubt will be pleasant to listen to; but will produce no valuable results. I appeal to you, therefore, members of the Middlesex Association, to make bell ringing a real service for God. More than any other men, ringers ought to be regular and devout worshippers. The church is calling in these days for reality in all who take part in her services. As your bells sound out the message, “Come, come and worship,” see to it that your lives are in accord with the message, and do not fail to be yourselves worshippers.’ The hymns chosen for the service were ‘All people that on earth do dwell,’ and ‘Hark, hark my soul.’

After tea, the business meeting was held in the Parish Hall, the chair being taken by the President, Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O., who was supported for part of the time by the Vicar; and by Mr. F. A. Milne hon. treasurer; Mr. W. Pye, Master; Messrs. J. Armstrong and C. S. Bird, District Masters; Messrs. C. T. Coles, and W. H. Oram, hon. secretaries, and a large company, including a number of lady ringers.

The report and balance sheet were submitted by Mr. C. T. Coles, and were unanimously adopted. The report shows that during 1919 there were elected two honorary and 67 ringing members. About a similar number had been struck out, mostly owing to losses through war-time disorganisation, and including nine by death. The roll of honour contains no less than 31 names of members who made the supreme sacrifice for their country. During the year 35 peals were rung, including three rung to commemorate the peace celebrations. The Master (Mr. Wm. Fye) had equalled the record in point of numbers made by the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, by the ringing of a peal of London Surprise Major at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Nov. 13th, and a few days later had made a new record. Twelve meetings were held during the year, exclusive of the annual general meeting, with good results. The report contains much of interest, and is quite up to the pre-war standard in quality, if not in quantity.

The balance sheet showed a balance in hand of £10 4s. 9d. on the Central Fund, a loss of nearly £4 on the year's working, incurred mainly through the ever-increasing cost of printing the annual report.

Seven new members were admitted. Mr. J. H. B. Hesse retired from the office of vice-president of the S. and W. District, and the remaining officers were unanimously re-elected, with Mr. T. Beadle appointed to fill the vacancy.

The financial position of the Central Fund was discussed. On behalf of the Central Committee, Mr. C. T. Coles proposed an increase in the subscriptions. At the two district annual meetings held earlier in the year, said Mr. Coles, the balance sheets showed that the districts were in a healthy condition, financially, especially in view of the fact that during 1919 there were still a number of soldiers away whose subscriptions were excused. This year they hoped to get all the soldiers back, and there would be very little to fear in the districts. The Central Fund, however, was in a different position, as that fund had to bear the whole cost of printing the annual report, the price of which for the report just published was about £26 for a 48-page issue, about twice the cost of a very much larger pre-war report. This cost had to be met and the committee recommended that the subscriptions of life and ringing members be increased by 50 per cent., making the subscription of a compounding member 7s. 6d., and of a ringing member 1s. 6d. per annum. Further, they considered that as the cost of the reports was now about 9d. per copy, it would be necessary to charge life members 6d. per copy, to help cover the increase in the price. With over 100 life members it would be impossible to provide

them with free reports at the existing cost, as had been the practice in the past.

The proposals were seconded by Mr. F. A. Milne, who added that the committee's recommendation included that of the transfer of 70 per cent. of the subscriptions to the Central Fund instead of the present 60 per cent., which would mean that practically the whole of the increase would go to that fund.

Mr. W. Hewett proposed as an amendment that the subscription for life membership should remain at 5s., stating that he thought that visiting ringers generally would not pay 7s. 6d., but would join as ordinary members. Mr. D. L. Clark seconded. Mr. G. Kilby opposed the amendment stating that he thought 7s. 6d. none too much for a life membership of such a society as the Middlesex Association. Mr. Coles stated that the increases in outgoings did not stop with the report. Printing and advertising had gone up, postage had increased, and he thought that any increase in subscription should include prospective life members, for money nowadays had not the same value as before.

The amendment was defeated by a substantial majority, and the proposal to increase the subscriptions of life and ringing members by 50 per cent., with the other proposals contained in the Central Committee's recommendation, was passed, with only one dissident.

The President proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicars and churchwardens of Fulham and Putney for the use of the bells, and for all they had done towards making the meeting a success; to Mr. J. Driver and Mr. T. Bolton for having the bells in readiness, and to Mr. W. H. Hollier for assistance given to the hon. secs.—This vote was unanimously passed, and the members adjourned to both towers for further ringing, making as much use of the bells as was possible during the time available for that purpose.

## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ANNUAL MEETING.

The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Hertford County Association was held on Easter Monday at St. Albans. There was ringing during the day at the Cathedral, St. Nicholas', and other churches, and the members attended choral evensong at the Cathedral and an address was delivered by the Rev. J. B. Booth, Vicar of St. Stephen's Church, St. Albans.

A course of Stedman Cinques was rung in the north aisle of the Cathedral, upon handbells, by six ringers from Oxhey and Bushey towers, as a concluding voluntary at the service, the clergy and congregation remaining in their seats. One commentator afterwards stated: 'The touch was splendidly rung, and the effect simply grand. It definitely marked the occasion as a ringers' service.'

Afterwards the annual tea was held at the Abbey Institute, under the presidency of the Rev. C. F. Ayerst Vicar of Watford. This was followed by the annual business meeting, which the Dean of St. Albans and several local clergy attended, while letters of regret were received from Canon Parnell, the Archdeacon of St. Albans, and Col. Fremantle.

The Chairman said he was glad to see present so many silver badged men, and men who had served, and referring to the fact that the bells at Watford had been recast and rehung, said they would be glad to welcome any of those present at Watford whenever they could go.

The Treasurer (Mr. E. P. Debenham) presented a satisfactory statement of accounts, and was congratulated by the Chairman 'on the way he amassed wealth' (laughter).

### THE ANNUAL REPORT.

The Secretary's report included many items of interest, from which we take the following:—

With regard to the condition of ringing throughout the county, enthusiasm is being revived, and a rapid recovery is being made to pre-war days. This is shown especially by the peal list, which this year numbers twenty-three, and is as follows:—Nine peals of Grandsire Triples, three peals of Stedman Triples, two peals of Superlative, one London Surprise, one Kent Treble Bob Major, and seven peals of Minor. The peals were rung in seventeen different towers, eighty-nine different ringers having taken part. During the year Beukoo peal has been increased to eight, through the generosity of Mr. Alfred Baker Watford St. Mary's peal has been recast and refitted and a new bell-fry made, through the zeal of our President, the Rev. C. F. Ayerst; and Mr. A. C. Clauson, K.C., one of our honorary members, has given the order for the North Minims peal to be increased to eight. Royston peal has also been increased to eight, and I hear it will not be very long before they score their first peal on their increased ring. May Watford band soon follow their example. We heartily thank these gentlemen for the interest they have shown to the cause of bells and bell ringing.

The suggestion in my last report, with regard to an Association War Memorial, has not fructified, and we yet require a 'move on' if any permanent memorial is to be raised. Another proposal is to join in the Diocesan Scheme for filling the great west window with stained glass, as a general memorial to every one of the fallen, whether they

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were officers or men, rich or poor. If a small panel could be reserved for the ringers, perhaps this would meet with their approval. But the whole question is one which the committee should carefully consider before making any recommendation, so we must await results. But I would suggest, there is one step we might take at once, and that would be to record at the end of our Peal Book a list of all men who were called up, with their rank. This could be furnished to me by the secretary of each tower in affiliation, and would form an acceptable memorial off our own bat.

The question of giving powers to the Council will be brought to your notice to-day by our representative, and you will be asked to vote upon the same. But who is asking for powers to enforce decisions? Have we a direct mandate from the committee seeking such powers? If so, have they explained the salient reasons for such? No communication has reached me from the committee, and my information upon the subject has been gleaned chiefly from the 'Ringing World.' My own personal opinion is that if the Central Council need powers to enforce decisions, they should first lay their claims before the whole ringing community in a proper form for discussion by members of each Association. The Council is a most useful body, but its future rests entirely upon its members to fashion for good or ill. For the moment 'We don't know where we are.' But we do owe a debt of gratitude to the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt Drake, our representative on the Central Council for his services, and we ask him to accept our appreciation of his work.

After expressing thanks to the district secretaries for their services, the report adds: We record with thankfulness the continued interest taken in our society by our honorary members, and the incumbents of the various churches, who so readily grant facilities to the ringers for any special ringing. But the ringers would like to see them more often in the belfry, as their presence would often be helpful. To the various bands I would say, do your best to pull together in perfect unison, and to the individual ringer, if you can't always make others see your view point, never mind, endeavour to see theirs. Your opinion may be possibly right, but to weaken a band by leaving is hardly fair to the majority with whom you have had no difference of opinion. Our chief motive in ringing should be an act of worship—the offering of time and talent in God's service. Life is too short to squabble, and remember right in the end wins. The Easter message proves this. May we all return to our respective companies enthused with a keener desire to fulfil not only our ringing functions, but to put into practice those higher duties pertaining to our Heavenly Citizenship.

#### THE NEW PRESIDENT.

Canon Papillon, proposing the election of Mr. W. H. L. Buckingham, of St. Albans, as President of the Association for the ensuing year, said that gentleman would not be merely a figure head, but was one eminently qualified to give sound advice on bell ringing.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. H. Eden, and carried with enthusiasm.

Replying, Mr. Buckingham said they had conferred on him an honour he had not expected, but he would do his best to fill the position. He congratulated the Association on its prosperity and progress, and he thanked Canon Papillon for his very kind references to himself. His mind was taken back to happy times at Chelmsford, and also when he was with the Bushey ringers. They had to remember whilst they practised that their object was to be proficient for Divine service. One enthusiastic Norwich ringer had expressed himself as follows on this subject:—

May good ringers flourish: may bad ones mend;  
May change ringing last till the world's at an end;  
When we meet may we meet in brotherly love,  
And when we part hence, meet in the tower above.

(Applause.)

Mr. E. P. Debenham was re-elected hon. treasurer, and Mr. G. W. Cartmel hon. secretary, both with acclamation and thanks for past services.—Mr. Cartmel remarked he was Mr. Debenham's understudy before he became secretary. Mr. Debenham was secretary for sixteen years, but that day they had re-elected him (the speaker) for the seventeenth time, so he had beaten Mr. Debenham by one. He thanked them all for their support during the year, and said they could not sufficiently thank the district secretaries (applause).

#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. MEMORIAL FUND TO DATE.

Amount previously acknowledged in 'Ringing World,' £20 14s. 9d.: Frocester Tower, £1 2s.; D. Gulse, Bristol, 3s.; Wickwar Tower, £1 6s.; Wotton-under-Edge Tower, £3; Slymbridge Tower, £1 11s.; Minchinhampton Tower, 15s.; Urley Ringers (see H. W. Fussell, list as well), £1 17s.; St. Philip's, Bristol, £1 10s.; St. Stephen's, Bristol, £7 4s.; Berkeley, Wotton, £3 14s.; total, £42 16s. 9d.

ROCK FERRY.—On March 22nd, at St. Peter's Church, 720 Babb Minors, in 26 mins.: F. Banton 1, W. Battle 2, J. Cooke 3, H. S. Muel 4, W. Hughes 5, H. Martin (conductor) 6. Ring for the Confirmation service held by the Bishop of Chester. After service, 180 Plain Bells Minor.

## NOTICES.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Clun District.—The annual meeting will be held at St. George's Church, Clun, on Saturday, May 1st. Bells (8) ready at 2.30. Tea at 5, followed by business meeting. Short service 6.30, when an address will be given by Rev. S. Dogdale, M.A.—W. Mead, Hon. Sec., Clun, Salop.

SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The annual meeting will be held at Chesterfield on Saturday, May 1st, ten bells, from 2 o'clock. Short service in church at 5, followed by business and tea.—S. Thomas, 164, Greystones Rd., Sheffield.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—Next meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, on Saturday, May 1st. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. The Rector and the St. Giles' Guild of Ringers invite the members to tea at 5.45 p.m., in the Church House, Dyott Street. Ringing afterwards at St. Andrew's, Wells Street.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E. 17.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, May 1st, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Stockport Branch.—Next meeting at Northenden Saturday, May 1st.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec.

OLDHAM AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting will be held at St. Thomas's, Moorside, on Saturday, May 1st. Bells ready at 3.30.—Mr. C. Platt, 15, Dickens Street, Moorside, Oldham.

STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.—A ringing meeting will be held at Silverdale (8) and Keele (6) on Saturday, May 1st, 1920. Tea will be provided at Keele.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Guilsborough on Saturday, May 1st. Ringing at 2 o'clock. Service at 3 o'clock. Tea and meeting at 4 o'clock. To form a new district of the above. Those requiring tea please notify Fred Wilfred, General Sec., 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—A quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Marden (6 bells) on Saturday, May 1st. Bells available 4 p.m.—C. Edwards, District Sec., Great Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

WENDENS AMBO (close to Audley End Station, G.E.R.).—A joint practice of the Ely and St. Edmundsbury Diocesan and Essex Associations will be held at Wendens Ambo (6 bells) on Saturday afternoon and evening, May 1st. All ringers welcome.—A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

LLANFAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Bridgend (and not at St. Nicholas as proposed) on Saturday, May 1st, at 4.45. Tea provided.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—Ipswich Branch.—A general meeting will be held at Ipswich on Saturday, May 1st. The rings of St. Mary-le-Tower, St. Margaret and St. Matthew will be available during afternoon and evening. Business meeting at St. Step-

hen's Hall at 3.30 p.m. to elect officers and committee for Ipswich Branch. Good attendance requested.—G. E. Symonds, Hon. Branch Sec. pro tem., 28, Chevallier Street, Ipswich.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Toddington, on Saturday, May 1st. Service, with an address by the Rev. W. A. Warner, M.C., at 5 p.m. Bells (6) 3 p.m. — J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—The dinner will be held at the Old Bell, Holborn, on Saturday, 1st May, at 6 p.m. Tickets 8/6 each. The bells at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, and St. Sepulchre's, Holborn, will be available for ringing.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., School House, Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—(Estab. 1637.)—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on May 4th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 13th and 27th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 18th, Southwark Cathedral on the 25th; all at 7.30 p.m. \* Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—A special meeting will take place at Croydon on Wednesday, May 5th. The ten bells at St. Peter's will be available from 2 p.m. A visit will be made to the foundry of Messrs. Gillett & Johnston at 3.15, followed at 5 o'clock by tea in the Canteen, by kind invitation of Mr. Cyril Johnston. Will members and their friends who intend to be present kindly send a postcard by the Monday previous to Edith K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield?

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held at Salisbury in celebration of the 700th anniversary of the Cathedral foundation, on Saturday, May 8th. Meeting in Church House 1.15. President, the Earl of Shaftesbury. Festival service in Cathedral 3 p.m. Sermon by the Bishop. Tea, by his lordship's kind invitation, in Palace grounds. Those intending to be present please write at once to Major D'Aeth, Buckhorn Weston, Wincanton, Somerset. Towers open: St. Martin's, St. Edmund's (8), Fisherton, Britford, Coombe Bissett, Dinton, Wishford (6).—F. L. Edwards, Secretary.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Leigh Parish Church on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available at 3 p.m.; meeting at 7 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Chipping Sodbury on Saturday, May 8th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30; tea at 5.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Castle Cary Deanery.—A meeting will be held at Baltonsborough on Saturday, May 8th.—Service 4.15; tea in Schoolroom 5 p.m., to all who notify me by Tuesday, the 4th.—E. Creed, Hon. Sec., Castle Cary.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A special ringing meeting will be held at Brafield on Saturday, May 8th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30; tea 5 p.m. Will all requiring tea kindly inform me by Tuesday, May 4th?—T. Law, District Sec., St. Peter's Cottages, Weston Favell.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Winchester District.—A quarterly meeting at Eling on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available at 2.30, also Dibden (8). Tea and meeting at the Anchor Inn at 5.30.—W. H. George, District Sec., 1, Newton Road, Eastleigh.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The annual District meeting announced last week for Saturday, May 8th, will have to be postponed as it is not possible to arrange for the tea on that date. The date on which it will take place will be announced as soon as possible.—Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, Elmsted Vicarage, Ashford, Kent.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Childwall on May 8th. Bells ready at 4; meeting at 6.—Rev. E. C. Collier and Walter Hughes, Hon. Secs.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A District meeting will be held at Chatteris on Saturday, May 8th. Those requiring tea please let me know early.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available at 3 p.m. To facilitate tea arrangements will all who intend to come kindly send me a p.c. by May 6th.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms Hatfield, Hon. District Secretary.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Darwen on Saturday, May 8th, 1920. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting 3.30 p.m. A special meeting will be held at the Blackburn Parish Church on Saturday, May 15th, to unveil a memorial tablet erected to the memory of the fallen ringers of the branch. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Unveiling at 4.15, followed by a short service. A tea will be provided in the school at 5.30, for which a charge of 1s. 9d. will be made. All applications for tea to reach Mr. A. Tomlinson, 57, Boxwood Street, Blackburn, not later than Wednesday, May 12th.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary, 33, Langham Road.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at New Romney on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Tea provided by the Vicar (Rev. H. South) for all those who notify me of their intention of being present by May 4th.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Brighton on Saturday, May 8th, 1920. Ringing: St. Nicholas (10) from 11 a.m., St. Peter's (10) from 12 a.m. Lunch at St. Nicholas Parish Hall 1.30 p.m., 4s. each (members 2s.). Business meeting to follow. Service at St. Nicholas 4.30 p.m. Half railway fares. All members are asked to attend, and those who will be present for lunch please let me know by May 5th.—H. R. Butcher, Gen. Hon. Sec., Kent View, Crowborough.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—A District meeting will be held at Chigwell Row on May 15th. Bells from 3 p.m.; service 5 p.m.; tea at 5.45; business meeting to follow.—E. Butler, District Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, May 15th. Tower open at 2.30. Service in Church at 5; tea, followed by business meeting, after. Half travelling expenses up to 2/- each will be paid to members attending. All members intending to be



present at the meeting must notify the District Secretary not later than Tuesday, May 11th.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society). Estab. 1824.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 15th, at All Saints', Kingston-on-Thames. Tower open from 4 till 8 p.m.; business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Bristol Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above Branch will be held at Almondsbury on Saturday, May 15th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30; tea at 5, meeting following. Kindly notify Secretary for tea not later than May 3rd.—P. C. Williams, Branch Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Meetings for combined practice will be held at Heston first Saturday in each month at 7 p.m.; Isleworth third Saturday in each month at 7 p.m.; Ealing (St. Stephen's), last Saturday in each month at 7 p.m.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**.—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

**SLOUGH**.—At St. Mary's Church, on Easter Sunday, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Major, in 49 mins.: P. E. Jones 1, Miss G. Bateman 2, H. Hewett (conductor) 3, E. T. Hooper (first in the method) 4, W. Henley 5, W. H. Fussell 6, C. C. Mayne 7, H. D. Barker 8. Arranged for ringers of 2, 3 and 8, who were spending a week-end in Bucks.

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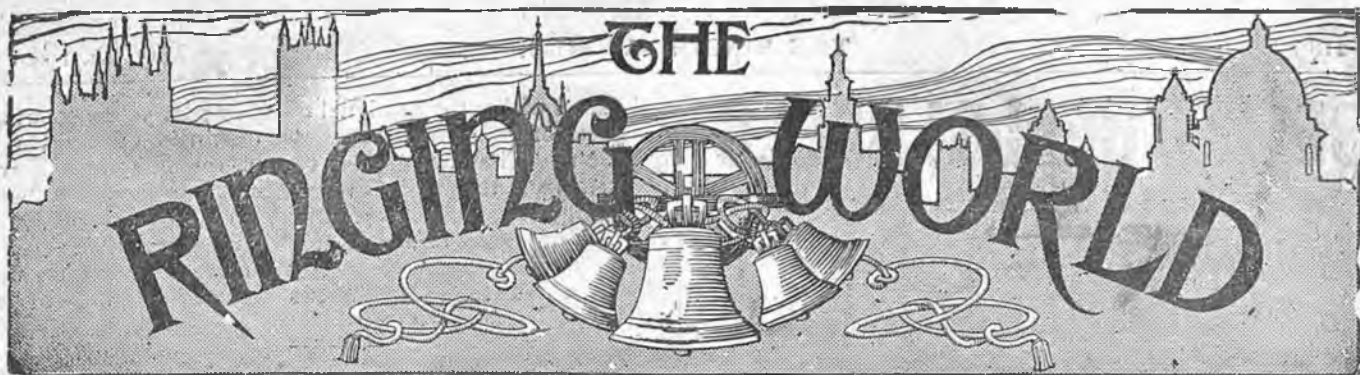
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## THE PEALS ANALYSIS.

The tabulated results of the past year's peal ringing are published to-day, and, as always, are extremely interesting. Thanks to the labours of the Central Council's Committee, the Exercise has the opportunity of seeing in compact form exactly what has been done throughout the country, and to compare, as far as comparisons are of value, the efforts of the various Associations. The most gratifying feature of the present analysis is the evidence which it provides of the recovery of ringing from the effects of the war. The peals, which increased in volume as the year progressed, passed the four-figure level before the end of December was reached, and, as further evidence of the revival of the art, there is the fact that peals in a variety of the higher methods reappear in the table.

The decision of the Council to continue the publication of the analysis in alphabetical order largely robs it of official recognition of the competitive spirit, but peal ringers will scan the figures with interest to ascertain which association has the best results. The divergence of view with regard to the merit of awarding peal points is responsible for the decision of the Council, but this attitude is hardly in consonance with the adhesion to the points principle. If points are worth recording, then there can be no objection, it seems to us, to giving full recognition to the competitive spirit, and placing the associations in the table in the order of point merit. On the other hand, if the opinion is that competition in this direction should not be encouraged, then there is little valid reason for recognising points at all. The present is only a half-and-half arrangement. Granted that peal ringing in the main is really a gratification of personal ambition, and that success in this direction gives an added glory to the records of an association, there is little valid reason why the point-scoring method should not be fully accepted as the basis of the analysis, for there is no doubt that in peal ringing, as in any other pastime, the competitive spirit makes for keenness among the members. But the point system is one upon which there is never likely to be unanimity of opinion.

The report which accompanies the Analysis Committee's tables is, as usual, full of interesting statistics, and there is one matter to which we feel compelled to refer. The Committee complains of the late publication of certain peals. In regard to three of these we must take the blame, two reports having been overlooked, while the third, defective when originally sent in, was kept back through a misunderstanding. Having thus made open confession we hope we may be forgiven, and plead, in mitigation of punishment, the many thousands of peals which we have

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published without exceptional delay in past years. But at the risk of castigation, may we ask the Committee a question? They tell us that two of the late reports are omitted from the analysis because to have included them would have involved 20 alterations to the figures. Would the task of making the alterations have been much more prodigious than going through the table to count up the places where the amendments would have had to be made?

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F/S. F. A. HOLDEN ... .. 4	REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... .. 9
WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... .. 5	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by F/SERG. F. A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

CARDIFF.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATER8, 5003 CHANCES;**

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

*JAMES P. LOCK ... .. Treble	HARRY PAGE ... .. 6
EVAN COLES ... .. 2	*HENRY BELLAMY ... .. 7
WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 3	SIDNEY DAWE ... .. 8
FRED ATTWELL ... .. 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 9
CLARENCE O. HOBBS ... .. 5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

\* First peal of Caters. The ringer of the 3rd hails from Edmon-  
ton, London, and the 6th from Pentre, Rhondda.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER8, 5238 CHANCES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt.

LOUIS E. ALLEN ... .. Treble	J. LESLIE WILLIAMS ... .. 6
HERBERT W. NEEDHAM ... .. 2	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. 7
THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. 3	HAROLD G. JENNEY ... .. 8
HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 4	R. HENRY BARTRAM ... .. 9
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 5	ALFRED MARTIN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRED. H. DEXTER.

A short-course composition, now rung for the first time. Rung for the festival of St. George, and the 1,000th anniversary of the freeing of Leicester from the Danes by Ethelfleda, daughter of Alfred the Great.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WORSLEY.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, January 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

*W. GRUNDY ... .. Treble	W. OAKES ... .. 5
F. GRUNDY ... .. 2	*JOSEPH H. RIDYARD ... .. 6
W. JONES ... .. 3	P. H. DERBYSHIRE ... .. 7
*S. HARRISON ... .. 4	*J. RIDYARD ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. BANKS. Conducted by JOSEPH H. RIDYARD.

† First peal as conductor. † First peal. \* First peal away from tenor. The first peal to be rung by the local company since April 10th, 1914. An attempt was made a week previous, but after ringing an hour and forty minutes a rope broke. At that date Joseph Ridyard on the tenor was made a member of the Association previous to starting.



GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Monday, April 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

H. EARLE BULWER'S IRREGULAR TEN-PART.

JOHN T. SCOTT ... .. Treble	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5
HENRY HUTTON ... .. 2	WILLIAM K. MELVILLE ... .. 6
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 3	ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 7
LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 4	HARRY HARRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

CHISLEHURST, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS PHILLIPS ... .. Treble	PERCY J. SPICE ... .. 5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... .. 6
HARRY DURLING ... .. 3	GEORGE DURLING ... .. 7
JAMES FORD ... .. 4	REUBEN S. GOODCHILD ... Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

\* First peal. This peal was rung half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late Mr. Anthony F. Nussey, who was people's warden for 14 years and Rector's warden for five years (retiring in 1916), and died on March 2nd, age 80 years.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF IMMANUEL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

* JONATHAN WHERWELL ... Treble	* LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... 5
* MISS M. HOULDSWORTH ... 2	JAMES SHAW ... .. 6
WILLIAM RILEY ... .. 3	JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... 7
ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH ... 4	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.  
Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

This is probably the first peal in the method in Lancashire by a lady ringer. L. J. Williams hails from Church Kirk and Arthur Tomlinson from St. Michael's, Blackburn. \* First peal in the method.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. THOMAS AND EDMUND,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

BERNARD W. WITCHELL ... Treble	BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. 5
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 2	WILLIAM G. ANKER ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. MEERS ... .. 3	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 7
GEORGE F. GARRISON ... .. 4	JACOB SEABORN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

The above peal was rung to commemorate the journalistic Golden Jubilee of Mr. Sidney Barton Eckert, who has for many years taken an interest in local campanology and done what he could to further its interest.

STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.

On Friday, April 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S ONE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

* GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HASTINGS ... .. 5
HUBERT SCRIVENS ... .. 2	ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 6
WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. 3	FRANK COLE ... .. 7
HARRY SMITH ... .. 4	ALBERT HANKS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 16½ cwt.

JAMES GOODSSELL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. HOAD ... .. 5
FREDERICK MORGAN ... .. 2	THOMAS HOAD ... .. 6
JOHN H. EDWARDS ... .. 3	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. 7
TRAYTON BOOTH ... .. 4	EDWARD MILLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss K. Hoad, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Hoad, of Glottenham, Robertsbridge, and sister of the ringers of the 5th and 6th, who was married to Mr. S. J. Lulham, of London, at Salehurst on this date. Also rung on the 11th anniversary of the wedding of the ringer of the 3rd.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AT COSLANAY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN E. BURTON ... .. Treble	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 5
ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 2	CHARLES E. BORRETT ... .. 6
MISS MAY DURRANT ... .. 3	FREDK. H. KNIGHTS ... .. 7
ALFRED WATSON ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY DAINS.  
Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

This peal was arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Fred H. Knights, his 50th birthday being on 13th April. It was the first peal in the method by the ringer of the 3rd, great credit being due to her for the way in which she rang, she having had no previous practice in this method.

ERITH, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF UNION TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

FREDK. J. CULLUM, SEN. ... Treble	FREDK. J. CULLUM, JUN. ... 5
ARTHUR J. MORTON ... .. 2	HERBERT A. HOLDEN ... .. 6
EDWARD J. LOTT ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 7
* HERBERT ACDSLEY ... .. 4	JOSEPH SPOONER ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.  
Conducted by FREDK. J. CULLUM, JUN.

\* First peal in the method, also first peal in the method on the bells. The band wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5
ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. 2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 3	CHARLES SAMPSON ... .. 7
JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 4	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON.  
Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Rung as a compliment to the conductor.

GET YOUR  
RINGING  
FRIENDS  
TO SUPPORT

THE RINGING  
WORLD

BY  
TAKING  
A COPY  
EVERY  
WEEK.

## ERITH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

*ARTHUR J. MORTON... ..Treble	EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 5
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 2	†FREDERICK J. CULLEN, JUN. 6
†HEREBERT ADESLY ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... 7
FREDERICK M. MITCHELL 4	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ...Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON.

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method.

## CHESTER.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

*FRANK FOX ... ..Treble	MARTIN HARRIS ... .. 5
*EDWARD HARRISON ... .. 2	*ARTHUR NEWELL ... .. 6
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 3	SERG. JOHN W. DAVIES ... 7
GEORGE JONES ... .. 4	GILBERT GERRARD ... ..Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal of Major. First peal of Major by all members of the tower. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6th.

## ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES;

Tenor about 23 cwt.

E. MAURICE ATKINS ...Treble	REN W. YORK ... .. 5
*MISS CECIL HEPBURN ... 2	WALTER T. WILSON ... 6
*GEORGE FOSTER ... .. 3	†BERT KILBURN ... .. 7
*JOSEPH SADDINGTON... .. 4	ALBERT V. INNS ... ..Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First attempt for a peal on eight. † First peal of Major. Ringers 1, 2 and 6 hail from Isham, 4 from Burton Latimer, tenor from Epping, and the remainder are local men.

## HAWLEY, HANTS.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

H. W. BOYLES ... ..Treble	*F. NYE ... .. 5
SERG. J. HERROD, S.W.B. 2	SERG. G. GILBERT, R.E. 6
G. UPSHALL ... .. 3	B. HAWKINS ... .. 7
G. MILES ... .. 4	T. UPSHALL ... ..Tenor

Composed by G. HAWKINS.

Conducted by B. HAWKINS.

\* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to Major and Mrs. C. F. Jerram of 'Talland Vean,' Penweris, Falmouth.

## ROLVENDEN, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt. in F sharp.

FREDERICK J. JUDGE ...Treble	WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... 5
*FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, JUN. 2	†GEORGE BILLENNESS ... 6
FREDERICK G. BURDEN ... 3	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, SEN. 7
CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 4	ALFRED BLACKMAN ... ..Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

\* First peal of Triples with an inside bell. † 40th peal as conductor.

## CILENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVES' VARIATION.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

MISS F. THATCHER ...Treble	CHARLES BOUGHTON ... 5
WILLIAM SHILVOCK ... .. 2	WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 6
WILLIAM BOUGHTON, SEN. 3	WILLIAM BOUGHTON ... 7
JOHN BASS ... .. 4	JOHN SHILVOCK ... ..Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

Messrs. C. Boughton and J. Shilcock were proposed members before starting. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the officers and men of the parish who fell in the war.

## SWINDON, WILTS.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(SWINDON PARISH CHURCH GUILD.)

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr.

ALFRED LAWRENCE ...Treble	SIDNEY PALMER ... .. 5
THOMAS ROBINSON ... .. 2	ERNEST BISHOP ... .. 6
ROBERT W. HYNER ... .. 3	CHARLES J. GARDINER ... 7
*WILLIAM G. LANCASTER... 4	ALBERT E. W. SMITH ...Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST BISHOP.

\* First peal in the method.

## COGGESHALL, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF S. PETER AD VINCLIA,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

PERCY J. LANGSTON...Treble	JOHN SADLER ... .. 5
*WILLIAM HOWELL ... .. 2	*WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... .. 6
FRANK CLAYDON ... .. 3	ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM 7
JAMES FLEURY ... .. 4	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... ..Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

\* First peal in the method away from the treble.

## ORMESBY, YORKSHIRE.

## THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

GERALD DUNCAN ...Treble	ROBERT LAUGHTON ... 5
*HENRY TAYLOR... .. 2	†WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... 6
ROBERT STEPHENSON ... 3	WILLIAM BROADLEY... .. 7
SYDNEY TUNNELL ... .. 4	THOMAS METCALFE ... ..Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by W. A. BRECKON.

\* First peal and first attempt in the method. † First peal as conductor in the method.

## THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION  
AND ST. MARGARET'S GUILD, LEICESTER.

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 10½ cwt. net.

FREDERICK W. SHARMAN...Treble	ARTHUR J. BALLARD ... 5
CHARLES ALLSOP... .. 2	WILLIAM ALDRIDGE ... 6
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 3	JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 7
ALFRED BALLARD ... .. 4	*ROWLAND BARROW ... ..Tenor

Transposed and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal. First peal on these bells, recently augmented to eight by Messrs. A. Bowell and Son of Ipswich. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the local company for their kind entertainment after the peal.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

BARTON-ON-HUMBER.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, April 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

[6 Being seven different 720's. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.  
\*SAMUEL WOOD ... .. Treble | ARTHUR W. HOODLESS ... 4  
W. PERCY HOODLESS ... 2 | †HAROLD EASTOE ... 5  
\*MISS MAY LOWSON ... 3 | WALTER AYRE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect for Mr. John Morley, a sidesman of this church, and Mr. William Tomlinson, a respected member of the choir, both of whom passed away after a brief illness.

SAXMUNDHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 of Double Court, and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

\*WILLIAM FLEMING ... .. Treble | FREDERICK W. WAITING... 4  
WILLIAM DREW... .. 2 | \*HENRY PHILLIPS ... 5  
JOHN W. AVIS ... .. 3 | SGT. JAMES BENNETT, R.M. Tenor

Conducted by SERGT. J. BENNETT, Royal Marines.

First peal of Minor.

STAUNTON-IN-THE-VALE, NOTTS.  
(THE FRAMLAND SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings.

LOUIS J. ABBOTT ... .. Treble | \*JOHN R. JACKSON ... 3  
\*CECIL BLAKEY ... .. 2 | \*ARTHUR DRURY ... 4  
ARTHUR W. WARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR W. WARD.

\* First peal. First peal of Doubles by all. First peal as conductor. First peal ever rung on the bells.

HASKETON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford Delight, Woodbine, and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and 720 of Bob Minor. Tenor 9½ cwt.

CHARLES ABLITT... .. Treble | GEORGE W. ABLITT ... 4  
HENRY BURCH ... .. 2 | JOSEPH LAST ... 5  
GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... 3 | NORMAN R. BAILEY ... Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to George W. Ablitt.

ECKINGTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Being seven 720's called differently.

JOHN WELLAND ... .. Treble | JAMES HEMMING... .. 4  
WILLIAM NEED ... .. 2 | OLIVER ATTWOOD ... 5  
HUBERT SALISBURY ... 3 | FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... Tenor

Conducted by F. J. JOHNSON.

Rung to celebrate the induction of the Vicar (Rev. A. W. Fletcher) and in connection with the unveiling of a memorial to fallen soldiers. The Vicar very kindly entertained the band to supper after the peal.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

ARMLEY, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At 10, MITFORD ROAD,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

\*MALCOLM MOORHOUSE ... 1—2 | \*GERALD MOORHOUSE ... 5—  
\*J. W. MOORHOUSE ... 3—4 | MISS O. L. LUMLEY... .. 7—

Composed by J. W. MOORHOUSE.

Conducted by MISS O. L. LUMLEY.

Witness: MR. A. WINDSOR.

\* First peal in the method. First peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major on handbells in Yorkshire and rung at first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to Malcolm Moorhouse who attained his 15th birthday on the 12th inst. First peal as conductress.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Tuesday, April 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,

At the Vicarage,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15 size in E.

WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... 1—2 | REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... 5—6  
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ... 3—4 | REV. H. LAW JAMES ... 7—8

Composed by W. WARHURST.

Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

Umpire: CHRISTOPHER WELDON WOOLLEY.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

At 2, CARLTON STREET,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

ALBERT V. INNS ... 1—2 | DAVID J. NICHOLS ... 5—6  
CECIL CHAPMAN ... 3—4 | FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT ... 7—8

Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

Witness: J. SADDINGTON.

First peal of Grandsire Triples by C. Chapman.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Thursday, April 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Vicarage,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;**

Tenor size 15 in C.

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ... 1—2 | WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... 5—6  
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3—4 | REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... 7—8

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by WILFRED H. J. HOOTON.

CLAPHAM.  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Friday, April 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

At 32, EDGELEY ROAD,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL 5040 CHANCES;**

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... 1—2 | HERRBERT LANGDON ... 5—6  
HARRY R. PASMORE ... 3—4 | WILLIAM H. PASMORE ... 7—8

JOHN W. GOLDING... .. 9—10

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by H. R. PASMORE.

Umpire: EDWIN HORREX.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Monday, April 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

At the Vicarage,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 15 size in C.

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ... 1—2 | WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... 5—6  
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... 3—4 | REV. H. LAW JAMES ... 7—

Composed and conducted by the REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

### PROPOSED DIVISION OF E. BERKS AND S. BUCKS BRANCH.

The annual meeting of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at High Wycombe on Easter Monday, when members and friends numbering about 100 were cordially welcomed by the churchwardens and the All Saints' Society. The towers represented were those of High Wycombe, Hughenden, Marlow, West Wycombe, Slough, Beaconsfield, Woodburn, Penn, Great Missenden, Bledlow, Culmor, Old Windsor, Warfield, Bray, Boyne Hill (Maidenhead), Caversham, Burnham, Binfield, Stoke Poges, Chalfont St. Peter and Chalfont St. Giles' Cookham, Windsor (Parish Church and Curfew Tower) and Hillingdon.

A special service was arranged at the Parish Church, the choristers being present under the direction of Mr. G. F. Andrews A.R.C.O., to lead the singing of the hymns. The Rev. Canon P. H. Elliot, of Slough, gave an address of encouragement and helpfulness to ringers, and referred particularly to their inclusion in the corporate life of the church.

Tea was served in the Church House, a band of ladies attending to the wants of those partaking of the repast, which was under the supervision of Mr. F. Hayes.

The annual business meeting succeeded the tea, the proceedings being under the chairmanship of the Master of the Guild (Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, M.C.). Among those present were the Revs. P. H. Elliot (Slough), A. L. Whitfield (Hughenden), O. F. Spearing (Marlow), W. U. Wooler (West Wycombe), E. J. Teesdale (Bledlow), Dr. Lewis, W. Reynolds, Mr. W. H. Fussell (Hon. Secretary of the Branch), Mr. R. T. Hibbert (Hon. Secretary of the Guild), Mr. Geo. Twitchee (Hon. Secretary, Wycombe), and also the following visitors: Messrs. J. Thomas and G. Paice (Eghamton), J. C. Truss (Marlow), W. Simmonds and H. Simmonds (Caversham), W. R. Melville (Guildford), C. Smith (Maidenhead), R. Marshall (Denford), G. R. Fardon (Shepherd's Bush), D. Taylor (Stockwell), A. D. Barker (Islington), etc.

The Master first introduced and welcomed the Rev. P. H. Elliot, the new Chairman of the Branch, in succession to the Rev. Canon Drummond; while Mr. Bennett of Beaconsfield, referred in terms of gratitude to the reverend gentleman for the inspiring address he had given that afternoon in church.

The Rev. P. H. Elliot briefly acknowledged the kind expressions, and assured the members that he should do his best to forward the welfare of the Guild.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the organist and choir of All Saints' Church for their services that day.

The balance sheet for the year was presented showing receipts amounting to £49 8s. (including a balance in hand from the 1918 account of £19 15s. 2d.). After the payment of the expenses, there was a balance in hand of £19 8s. 5d. The financial statement was adopted.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—Chairman, Rev. P. H. Elliot; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. H. Fussell (who was heartily thanked by the Master for the valuable services he rendered to the Guild); representatives on Guild Committee, Messrs. Alder, Buckland, Martin, Boreham, Leader, Truss, Twitchee, Blackmore, Welling, White, Kirk, and Smith.

The Hon. Secretary submitted his annual report, as under:—The good work carried on by the members of the Branch continues to expand and the number of members increase, which means that sooner or later a division of the area covered must arise. There is a suggestion that the Walthams and Warfield might be thrown into the Sonning Branch, like Binfield. Again, it is rumoured that an Amersham Branch might be made. The formation of a Diocese for Bucks may compel us to amend the district. I have referred these matters to you for consideration, but the committee named to report to you on the subject have not been able to meet. It was hoped to do something at Bray, but owing to the numbers present, everyone was too occupied by friendly reminiscences of war and peace days. I feel strongly that we should be wise in adopting two districts, as divided by the Thames, and thus preserve the original titles—'East Berks' and 'South Bucks.' In this connection, we sadly miss Boyne Hill tower as a rallying point for the Maidenhead Deanery, owing to their bells being practically unringable. We have to report with regret the death at an early age, of the Rev. Walter Thackeray, of Boyne Hill, and the Rev. C. A. Raymond, late of Bray, both good friends of the ringers, and hon. members of this branch. Also, by removal to other counties, of the Rev. Sir John Herschel, Braywood; Canon Ridsdale, of High Wycombe; and the Rev. H. H. Skirrow, Maidenhead. The present was a fitting time and place to mention the loss of two Wycombe ringers, Messrs. Wm. Horne and W. Phipps, whose deaths in the prime of a useful ringing career, were sadly felt by us all. Since our meeting at Windsor last year, we have been strengthened by the addition of Penn tower, and a promising young team of change ringers; and we have hopes that Ritcham, with a new ring of six bells, will shortly become affiliated. There are still a number of parishes where the clergy and ringers have not co-operated with the Guild, and I would suggest that the ringers and honorary members who do belong, use their influence to bring these towers in. The new Enabling Act means that ringers must assert themselves more in the work of the church. We have been favoured by the patronage of the Very Rev. the Dean

of Windsor, and the majority of the St. George's Society of Ringers have joined us. Now that His Majesty King George V. is in residence at Windsor, and a near neighbour, we may possibly be privileged to add the Head of the House of Windsor to our list of patrons.

### INCREASE OF NUMBERS.

Our numbers increase. Some of our 'boys' have returned from war, like veterans, so that the total strength of the Branch is now 623—about one-third that of the whole Diocese. We have 32 towers in union (including a double parish), with 474 performing members, 366 of whom have studied change ringing sufficiently to earn the title and the Guild certificate. This total includes 43 ladies, 33 of whom are change ringers, and 11 clergymen who are practical ringers. The hon. members muster 68—10 being on the 'life' list, and 44 have kindly contributed to our funds for the year 1919. Non-resident church ringers total 84, and the unattached 15. The roll of war service includes 223 men who have served in H.M. Forces—24 of whom have patriotically made their 'last stand' for England. During the past year, meetings for combined practice and friendly intercourse have been held at Warfield, Beaconsfield and Bray—all well attended, and supported by our beloved master, the Rev. C. W. Jenkyn, whose personal interest in the Guild is only equalled by his war service. There are still living some five or six of the original founders of the old Berks and Bucks Association of 1877, including Canon Drummond (its president for over 40 years) and Mr. J. J. Parker, noted for his researches in the mysteries of composition all over Great Britain where bells and ringers flourish.

The report was adopted.

Mr. W. H. Fussell (branch hon. secretary) said that they regretted the absence of the new Vicar of Wycombe, but owing to the kindness of their friends and a committee formed by the All Saints' Society, they had been able to make the gathering equal to and worthy of any of its predecessors. The co-operation of the Wycombe hon. secretary (Mr. G. Twitchee) had been extremely cordial and helpful.—Dr. L. W. Reynolds replied.

After a cordial vote of thanks had been passed to the Master of the Guild, and Mr. R. T. Hibbert having said a few words, the meeting ended.

During the afternoon and evening ringing was indulged in on the fine peal of twelve bells, the methods including Maximus, Stedman Cinques and Caters, Treble Bob Royal, Treble Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples, etc.; and 'rounds' on the twelve bells were rung several times, to ensure every visitor an opportunity of having a 'pull.' The ringing concluded with a fine course of London Surprise on the back eight.

### PRESENTATION AT NEWCHURCH.

A presentation has been made to Mr. Jas. Ashworth, who retires after 31 years' service as a bell ringer at St. Nicholas', Newchurch, in Rosendale. The ringers of Newchurch, with the addition of Messrs. Haydock and Leach, of Ramsbotham, and Amos Trippier, of Rendleton, and a few friends, sat down to a 'hot pot,' provided by Host and Hostess Cowell, of the Boar's Head Hotel. Prior to this, Messrs. J. Taylor, T. Harrison, J. H. Haydock, L. Taylor, R. Leach, Walter Taylor, J. T. Might and O. Eastwood had rung 210 of Grandsire Triples at the church, and afterwards 500 in the same method was rung by J. Taylor 1, J. H. Haydock 2, Jas. Ashworth 3, Samuel Lowd 4, R. Leach 5, Walter Taylor 6, O. Eastwood 7, Amos Trippier 8. A convivial evening at the Boar's Head followed, Mr. Trippier being in the chair. During the evening, Mr. Trippier made the presentation of a walking stick, suitably engraved, to Mr. Ashworth, with a few well-chosen remarks.—Mr. Walter Taylor and Mr. Haydock also spoke in highest terms of Mr. Ashworth for his long services, and expressed regret that they were to lose him through business reasons.—Mr. Ashworth suitably responded, and thanked the company for the present they had made him.—Messrs. L. Taylor, W. Taylor, E. Taylor, J. Taylor, R. Leach and A. Trippier contributed to the evening's harmony.—A vote of thanks to the chairman, Mr. and Mrs. Cowell for catering, and the singing of Auld Lang Syne, brought a most enjoyable evening to a close.

### LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the Grimsby District of the Northern Branch was held at Barrow-on-Humber on Saturday in fine weather ringers being present from Grimsby, Bigby Barton, and Thornton-Curlicis. The proceedings started with 720 Bob Minor: J. W. Crowder 1, W. F. Heyhoe 2, J. W. Seamer 3 Hy. Hebatson 4 H. E. Dannatt 5, C. Taylor (conductor) 6. Afterwards other visitors arrived and the bells were kept going to Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Stedman, Bob Minor and Grandsire. Evensong followed, and was attended by all the ringers, the Association form being used, and the address by Mr. J. Bentley in the absence of the Vicar (the Rev. D. Stedman).

Afterwards tea was provided by Mr. J. Parking. The business meeting followed in the belfry, and further ringing was indulged in during the evening.



**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting was held at Midsomer Norton, on Saturday, April 17th, when 19 towers were represented by 50 members. A service was held in the Parish Church at 3.30, at which the Rev. W. H. W. Williams officiated, being assisted by the Rev. J. E. W. Honnywill, of Leigh-on-Mendin. Through the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Holmyard tea was partaken of in the Schoolroom, after which the business meeting was held. In the absence of the Master, through illness, Mr. Honnywill was voted to the chair, and a vote of sympathy with the Master was passed.

Two new members were elected. It was announced that the annual meeting of the Association would be held at Minehead on July 10th.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and arranging and officiating at the service was heartily carried, as was also a vote of thanks to Mr. Honnywill for presiding, and to the ladies who kindly assisted at the tea.

This concluded the business, and a move was made to the tower, where touches of Kent Treble Bob, Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**

The most successful meeting of the Kettering District was held at Desborough, on April 10th, 54 members being present from Barton, Burton, Broughton, Cransley, Cranford, Isham, Orlingbury, Northampton, Kettering, Weekley, Wellingborough, and the local tower. A short address was given by the Vicar (the Rev. H. J. T. Eacott), and a collection was taken for the Bellry Repairs Fund, which amounted to 14s. 0d. Tea was partaken of in the schools, presided over by the Vicar. One new member and also three life members were elected. The question of the Central Council's powers was discussed at some length.—Mr. E. M. Atkins proposed that it was time that the Central Council had power to enforce their decisions, and hoped that members would vote on the same at the annual meeting of the Association. He also hoped that members would look to it that they only sent their best men to sit on the Central Council.

Kettering was chosen for the next meeting, and a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the ladies for providing such an excellent tea. A move was again made to the bellry, and some of the party went to Harrington, where the bells were set going to Doubles, Plain and Treble Bob Minor until a late hour.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

A quarterly meeting was held at St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, on Saturday, April 10th. The Rev. J. J. G. Stockley, M.A., R.D. (Rector), conducted the service, and gave an inspiring address, taking his text from I Cor. xii. 17th and 18th verses. Amongst the items of ringing during the afternoon and evening were Cambridge Surprise Major, Grandsire and Stedman Caters, and Kent Treble Bob Royal. An attempt for a touch of Stedman Cinques came to an untimely end. For more than a quarter of a century it has been the custom to arrange for all present to sit down together to tea, but on this occasion members were obliged to go to various restaurants to satisfy the inner man, as it had been found impossible to make better arrangements.

As the estimates for printing the report have so greatly increased, some means must be found to meet the additional cost; thus it is proposed to raise the annual subscription and to make a nominal charge to those ringing peals for booking the same—which is also a costly item. Both these matters are to be brought up for discussion at the annual meeting in June, at Lichfield. A statement was made with regard to the fund re the Rowland Cartwright Memorial. It is a little disappointing that donations are coming in so slowly; and it is hoped that members who wish to pay tribute to the deceased for his valuable assistance in past years will do so at their earliest convenience.

On the proposition of Mr. J. Bradney, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for his address, use of the bells, etc.; to Mr. Hughes for presiding at the organ, and to the choir boys for their valuable assistance.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**

A successful quarterly meeting of the above Guild was held at Warwick, on Saturday, April 17th, when about 30 members attended from Allesley, Birmingham, Coventry, Nuneaton, Northampton, Rugby and Warwick. Ringing commenced at Enscote at 3 o'clock, and touches of Bob Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Major were rung.

The business meeting was afterwards held. It was decided to hold the monthly meeting in May, at Corley and Fillongley, and the June meeting at Berkswell.

After tea, the ring of ten at St. Mary's was raised, and touches of Double Norwich Major, Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Bob Royal were brought round.

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## ANALYSIS OF PEALS RUN

Compiled by the Committee appointed by the Council

ASSOCIATIONS.	TOWER BELLS.														
	MAXIMUS.		CINQUES.		ROYAL.			CATERS.		MAJOR.					
	Treble Bob	Stedman	Grandsire	Cambridge Surprise	Treble Bob	Double Methods	Plain Methods	Stedman	Grandsire	London Surprise	Bristol	Cambridge	Superlative	Double Norwich	Various New Methods
Points per peal	18	32	13	40	16	22	12	28	10	50	48	30	30	16	Treble Bob
Anc. Soc. Coll. Youths...	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	7	2	3	—	—	—	—	1
Bath and Wells .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Bedfordshire .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2
Cambridge U. Guild .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2
Central Northants .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	3	—	2
Chester Diocesan .....	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	2	1	1	1	4	1	2
Cleveland and N. Yorks .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Devonshire .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Dudley and Districts .....	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1
Durham and Newcastle .....	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	3	5	—	1
Ely & St. Edmundsbury .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Essex County .....	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	1	1	3
Gloucester and Bristol .....	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	8	10	—	1	1	2	—	3
Hereford Diocesan .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Hertfordshire .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	2	—	1
Kent County .....	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	2	—	2	3	2(b)	9
Lancashire .....	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	1	—	—	2	2	—	2
Lincoln Diocesan .....	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	2
Llandaff .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	2
London County .....	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	6
Middlesex County .....	—	—	3	—	1	—	—	3	—	1	—	1	4	1	5
Midland Counties .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	1	1	6	6
North Notts .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Norwich and Ipswich .....	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	4	3	18
Oxford Diocesan .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	1
Peterboro' and Districts .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
R. Cumberland Youths .....	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
St. Martin's Guild .....	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	1	—	—	1	—	2
Salisbury Diocesan .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Salop Archidiaconal .....	(1a)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Stafford Archdeaconry .....	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Stoke Archidiaconal .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Surrey .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	2
Sussex County .....	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	4	1	3
Warwickshire .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	4	2
Winchester Diocesan .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Worcester & Districts .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	2	2	1	1	2	4	8
Yorkshire .....	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	22
Independent Societies .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
TOTALS...	5	21	1	4	12	2	3	47	34	15	6	8	31	40	51

(a) Plain Bob.

(b) 1 Victory, 1 College.

The twelve peals by Independent Societies were rung in the following counties: Derby, 1; Glamorgan, 2; Gloucester, 1; Huntingdon, 1; Lincoln, 1; Middlesex, 1; Salop, 1; Somerset, 2; Surrey, 1; York, 1.

The 145 peals of Treble Bob were rung as follows:—In the Kent Variation, Maximus, 5; Royal, 17; Major, 108. In the Oxford Variation, Maximus, 1; Royal, 1; Major, 13.

The 232 peals of Grandsire Triples may be subdivided as follows:—Holt's peals: Original, 42; Ten part and variations, 35; Five part, 3; Double Grandsire, 1. Parker's peals: Twelve part, 61; Six part, 7; Five part, 1; One part, 4; other peals, 2. Carter's peals: Twelve part, 5; other peals, 8. Hollis' peals, 7; Taylor's peals, 17; Rev. C. D. P. Davies' peals, 10; Bruerton's peals, 5; Banks' peals, 4; Vicars' peals, 4; Thurstans' peals, 2; Landoff's peals, 2; Pimman's peals, 2. Other peals, including one unnamed, 10.

The 151 peals of Stedman Triples are thus accounted for:—Thurstans' peals: One part, 8; Four part and variations, 114; Ten part, 1; Washbrook's peals, 18; Sir A. P. Heywood's peals, 4; Lates' One part, 2; Carter's peals, 4; other peals, 2.

The 77 peals in Plain Methods comprise: Bob Maximus, 1; Bob Royal, 5; Bob Major, 70; College Single Major, 1.

The conductors of five peals and upwards are shown in the following list. (Figures in brackets denote the number of Handbell peals): W. Pye (1), 32 peals; A. H. Pulling (21), 28 peals; J. E. Sykes, 21 peals; C. F. Bailey (11), J. W. Washbrook, 19 peals; T. H. Taffender, 16 peals; J. E. Groves (2), 14 peals; B. M. Atkins (3), A. E. Edwards, K. Hart, 12 peals; W. A. Cave, F. H. Dexter, J. Potter, 11 peals; F. Bennett, 10 peals; W. H. Barber (3), J. T. Dyke, A. Wright, J.

## DURING THE YEAR 1919.

## Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.

HANDBELLS.													

Thomas, 9 peals; C. Edwards, T. T. Gofton, H. Langdon, G. E. Symonds (1), 8 peals; E. Barnett senr., J. Beams, T. Groombridge, senr., T. Hemming (1), F. A. Holden, R. C. Loveday, F. W. Naughton, A. Relfe, F. W. Richardson, E. C. Shepherd (7), G. F. Swann (2), 7 peals; C. W. Clarke, Rev. H. L. James, R. G. Knowles, C. R. Lilley, W. J. Mears, W. Page, A. Walker (5), W. White, G. Williams, 6 peals; R. F. Deal, E. P. Duffield, W. Fisher, W. J. Jeffries, A. King, H. J. Mansfield, R. Matthews, J. Motts, G. Pigott, W. Poston, O. Sippetts, C. A. Valentine, W. Welling, 5 peals. In addition to the above, 27 persons conducted four peals, 31 three peals, 85 two peals, and 182 conducted one peal. There were two peals on handbells non-conducted, and one peal was published without the name of the conductor. Three ladies appear among those who have conducted peals viz.: Miss E. K. Parker, who conducted a peal of Stedman Caters, and two peals of Stedman Triples; Miss E. Hole, who conducted a peal of Grandsire Triples for the Bath and Wells, and Miss C. Thorp, a peal of Grandsire Triples for the Lancashire Association. It will be of interest to note that Mr. W. Pye rang his 1,251st peal in November, thus passing the record of 1,250 peals rung by the late Rev. F. E. Robinson.

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## ALDERSHOT'S NEW BELLS.

The two new trebles at Aldershot Parish Church are to be dedicated at the evening service next Sunday. On the following Saturday there is to be a combined practice at the church by the Winchester Guild when there will be full opportunity for all ringers who wish to do so to hear and try the new eight.

The number of Methods rung in the various peals of Minor and Doubles are shown in the following table:—

	MINOR.										Total	DOUBLES.				Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		2	3	4		
Bath & Wells	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	7	1	—	—	8	
Bedfordshire	1	1	2	—	1	—	7	—	—	12	—	—	—	—	—	
Central Northants	2	—	4	1	1	—	8	—	—	16	9	—	—	—	9	
Ely & S. Edmundsbury	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Essex County	—	—	1	—	—	4	3	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	
Gloucester & Bristol	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	3	
Hereford Diocesan	5	1	1	—	1	—	4	—	—	12	3	1	—	—	4	
Hertfordshire	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Kent County	2	2	—	1	2	2	5	—	—	14	—	—	2	—	2	
Lancashire	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	1	
Lincoln Diocesan	1	—	2	2	—	—	1	—	—	6	1	—	—	—	1	
Llundaff Diocesan	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	
Midland Counties	3	—	3	1	—	—	1	—	—	8	1	2	—	—	3	
North Notts	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	
Norwich & Ipswich	6	—	6	4	4	—	2	—	—	22	—	1	—	—	1	
Oxford Diocesan	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	8	3	—	—	—	3	
Peterborough	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	
St. Martin's, B'ham	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	2	
Salisbury Diocesan	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	2	
Staffordshire	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	2	
Surrey Association	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Sussex County	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	4	
Warwickshire	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	4	1	—	—	5	
Worcestershire	3	1	2	2	2	2	8	—	—	20	2	1	1	1	5	
Yorkshire	1	—	1	1	—	—	5	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	
Independent	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	
	11	7	24	12	13	8	56	1	162		45	7	4	1	57	

No peals above 7,000 changes were rung in 1919. The number of peals rung upon tower bells was 968, and on handbells, 80.

The peals rung month by month in 1918 and 1919 are appended for comparison:—

	1918	1919		1918	1919
January	13	54	July	18	138
February	16	58	August	28	116
March	7	50	September	14	87
April	15	41	October	18	61
May	15	85	November	43	143
June	15	67	December	75	150
	81	353		196	695

Total for 1918, 277; for 1919, 1,048.

The total number of peals on tower and handbells rung year by year since 1881 is as follows:—

1881...155	1888...739	1895...768	1902...1313	1909...1628	1916...217
1882...244	1889...797	1896...791	1903...1469	1910...1725	1917...130
1883...330	1890...699	1897...905	1904...1512	1911...1739	1918...277
1884...419	1891...878	1898...1002	1905...1519	1912...2329	1919...1048
1885...500	1892...802	1899...912	1906...1313	1913...2359	
1886...556	1893...705	1900...924	1907...1339	1914...1415	
1887...646	1894...859	1901...1194	1908...1474	1915...259	

Grand total, 37,909.

## REPORT OF THE ANALYSIS COMMITTEE, 1919.

In their report for 1918 your committee stated that they looked forward to more arduous duties in the years to come, and with the coming (more or less) of peace, that expectation is being fulfilled. The total number of peals on tower bells has risen from 229 in 1918, to 968 in 1919. The number of handbell peals has also increased from 48 to 80, so that the grand total has once more reached four figures, viz., 1,048, which is greater than in any year before 1901.

The greatest number of peals on tower bells was rung by the Lancashire Association, viz., 71, Kent County and Norwich Diocesan coming next with 70 and 67 respectively. On handbells, the Winchester Guild heads the list with 14, followed by St. Martin's, Birmingham, and Norwich with 13 and 12; the greatest number of tower and handbell peals combined being 79, rung by the Norwich Association.

The number of ringers taking part in their first peal was 362; first with a bob bell, 31, away from tenor, 3, first as conductor, 32, of which one was on handbells. First peal on the bells jumped to 27, first since augmentation, 4, after rehanging, 10, first by local band, 10. There was also a first peal by officers only, and the whole Exeter must sympathise with those who rang in the first attempt for this, which was brought round successfully, but proved to be false. There was also a first peal in which a Mayor took a rope.

Peals in commemoration of peace were 167, muffled peals in connection with the war, 35; other muffled peals, 38; Welcome Home peals were 28, including one of Bob Royal at Worcester for the parade of 10,000 men returned from the war, in which the tenor was turned in for the first time and there were 13 other peals of welcome to soldiers home on leave. Bishop's Enthronement, new incumbents, etc.; Peals for Church Festivals, 7; Empire Day, 7; Farewell, 9; Royal Occasions, 6; Anniversary, Quarterly, etc., 15; Harvest, 2;

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**THE CROYDON  
BELL FOUNDRY  
1920.**



Watch Night, 4. One peal was rung by Oddfellows, and one muffled by railwaymen for railwaymen killed in the war. A considerable number of peals were rung as usual for weddings and birthdays. It must be understood that these figures are only approximate, as the occasions of peals are frequently not clearly stated, and are sometimes omitted altogether. In addition to the officers' peal mentioned above, two other peals were withdrawn.

A peal rung at Oldham, published on October 31st, causes some difficulty. The date given is Wednesday, June 18th. If the date be correct, there can be no excuse for withholding the publication of the peal until the end of October, but June 18th was not a Wednesday. A peal of Minor rung at Gaywood on November 11th did not appear until February 13th, and a peal of Stedman Caters at Saffron Walden (stated to be the first peal on the bells) on December 28th, was not published until March 5th. The committee have decided to include these peals, but would urge on conductors to see that reports of peals are sent within a reasonable time of their performance. There can be no possible excuse for holding them back for months. Since the completion of the Analysis, two more belated accounts of peals have appeared: a peal of Grandsire Triples by the Oxford Diocesan Guild at East Hagbourne, rung on December 27th, published on March 18th, and a peal of Double Norwich Major by the Lincoln Diocesan Guild at Caythorpe on December 26th, published on March 26th. A footnote to the latter peal leaves it uncertain whether the omission was the fault of the sender or the printer. Had these two peals appeared earlier (and surely it is not too much to ask that reports may be sent in within two months) the total number of peals on tower bells would have been 970, and on tower and hand bells combined 1050. To have included these in the Analysis would have involved 20 or more alterations in the figures. It will be remembered that the Council decided that two months afforded quite sufficient time for the publication of peals. There is one other complaint we have to make with regard to the reports of peals. Three peals were repeated, in one case with some alteration, but in none of the three was there any hint that the peals had been published before.

Acres of ringers have always an interest when they are above or below the ordinary. We find ringers of 70, 76, 78, 79, while Mr. Mark Owen rang his first peal at Woodchester on his 80th birthday, having been a ringer for 60 years, and Mr. W. R. Small celebrated his 80th birthday by ringing two peals within a week! Mr. E. Horrex rang in a peal of Stedman Caters at Wimborne on September 13th, but it was not mentioned in the report that he was more than a year older than Messrs. Owen and Small. It is to be hoped that these youths will be spared to continue their ringing careers for some years yet. The boys are also in evidence, several being mentioned of the ages of 12, 13, 14 and 15.

The Analysis, it is interesting to notice, contains the record of the performance of peals in two new methods, Victory Major and College Major, a peal of Stedman Triples in which a father, mother and son took part, and a peal on handbells successfully accomplished by two married couples.

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## LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

### QUARTERLY MEETING.

A well attended and successful quarterly meeting was held at Bridgend on Saturday last, members attending from practically all over the diocese. The bells were raised, and kept going during the afternoon until 5 o'clock. The business meeting was then held in the Schoolroom, presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. D. Phillips), who welcomed the association to Bridgend.

Arising out of the minutes was the question of the Memorial Tablet to the Association's fallen ringers. The drawing and plan was exhibited to the members, and it was unanimously decided to go on with the work by placing the order immediately the permission of the Dean and Chapter was obtained. The chairman very generously subscribed one guinea towards the cost, remarking that they could but give of their best to the memory of the brave lads who had fallen.

Instructors' reports were received from Pontypridd, Machen, Magor, St. Athan and Lanishen.—It was decided to hold the next Glamorgan meeting at St. Nicholas', or, failing that, St. Nicholas', Bonvilston, the next Monmouthshire meeting to be held at Blaenavon.

The election of new members, and various other items were dealt with, and at the conclusion a substantial meat tea, very kindly provided, was partaken of. The best thanks were accorded the Vicar for his exceptional kindness and hospitality. The bells were afterwards rung in the various Standard methods, and this closed a very pleasant meeting.

WELLS.—On April 23rd, at the Cathedral in 53 mins. 1,260 Grandsire Triples on the back eight: T. Hayward 1, W. J. Mills 2, H. J. Trim 3, W. Farley 4, E. G. Lush 5, A. E. Mills 6, J. T. Dyke (conductor) 7, T. Griffin and J. Pain 8.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

The spring meeting was held at King's Norton on Saturday, April 24th, and was well attended. This pleasantly situated village, about five miles from the city, has long been a favourite meeting-place with Birmingham ringers. The church stands in a commanding position at the top of the village green, around which the old cottages comprising 'Old King's Norton' are clustered, and from its tower, which is in the Perpendicular style surmounted by a lofty crocketed spire, a splendid view of the surrounding country may be obtained. From this vantage-point may also be seen the city, with its octopus-like tentacles stretching out into the country ever further and further, and one realises that it cannot be many years longer before King's Norton will be 'joined up.' So far the facts have been fairly kind, and the place has developed mainly along the lines of a garden suburb, so that its rural aspect has not yet suffered appreciably.

The tower contains a very melodious peal of eight, tenor 14 cwt. in E and sounding much heavier.

It will be remembered that here was rung, a few years ago, the record peal of London Surprise Major, on which occasion Mr. Harry Withers took down every course-end as it was rung, from outside the tower. Talk about concentration of mind!

Tea was provided in the old Schoolroom, or Guildhall, an ancient half-timbered building standing in the churchyard, and was followed by the business meeting, with the Presiding Ringing Master, Alderman J. S. Pritchett, in the chair.

Routine business being quickly disposed of, Mr. Alderman Pritchett proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to Canon Price for the use of the bells and that very ancient room, and to the ladies who had prepared the tea and waited at table. It may be mentioned that the ladies were Mrs. Price, the Vicar's wife, and Mrs. Pritchett, the Master's wife, and both were indefatigable in attending to the wants of a somewhat large and very hungry party.—This was seconded by Mr. Albert Parsons, supported by Mr. Wm. Rock Smith, and, needless to say, carried unanimously.

The Secretary then said that he thought the person or persons who so kindly and generously provided the tea should be thanked heartily, and Mr. Alderman Pritchett said that the donor who wished to remain anonymous, would be sufficiently thanked by the knowledge that it had been so much enjoyed.—Mrs. Price briefly responded, but Mrs. Pritchett would not be drawn.

During the afternoon and evening the bells were kept going in various methods, among them being Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob, Superlative, Cambridge, London and Bristol.

## THE LADIES' GUILD.

### MIDLAND DISTRICT MEETING.

A quarterly meeting of the Midland District was held at Handsworth Old Church, on Saturday April 24th. Although the month of April had been fearful throughout, it managed to smile cheerfully on this occasion; consequently a good attendance of ringers resulted. The first contingent arrived at three o'clock, and the bells, a light, easy-going ring of eight, were soon set going to the tune of Grandsire Triples. A short service was held in the church, conducted by the Rector (Canon H. G. Daniel Bainbridge), at which the Guild form of service was used for the first time in that district.—The Rector, in extending a hearty welcome to the Guild, expressed the hope that at some future date he might be able to renew the welcome. He then gave a brief but interesting history of the local bells, remarking that originally there were only four bells, but in the year 1601 they were recast, and two more added by a firm named J. Smith, of Edgbaston, that being the first peal by that firm. The bells remained six until the year 1890, when two trebles were added and dedicated on March 26th of that year, since when they had not been altered. It was the custom to ring the Curfew Bell at Handsworth until the year 1688.

After service, a move was made to the schoolroom, where several enterprising members had thoughtfully arranged tea, to which about 30 sat down. At the business meeting which followed Mrs. Groves was unanimously elected to the chair. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Erdington about June 26th. The invitation of Mr. Cyril Johnston to visit the Croydon bell foundry was received with pleasure, but the majority of the members regretted their inability to be present.

A general discussion then took place with regard to combined practice for members, several towers being offered for this purpose. It was decided to hold monthly practice meetings, the first of which will be held at Erdington on May 29th.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for his services in church, to Mr. Danby, and the local company for having everything in readiness; also to the organist. The tower was again visited, and touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major brought round. About 8 o'clock the bells were lowered in peal, and a very successful meeting brought to a close.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

To the Editor.

Sir.—A week or two ago, on the suggestion of the President, I asked representatives of the various committees to send for publication in the 'Ringing World' a report of the work of the committee for the past year. Mr. A. T. King, for the Analysis Committee, has forwarded the analysis which I enclose herewith; and for the Methods Committee, the Rev. H. Law James says that all he has to report is that Mr. Lewis has got out all the 'little' methods, and proposes that they should be printed with the selection of Plain Methods, which last is at present in the hands of the hon. secretary of the Council. He adds that he has also

	105 pure T.B. Major Methods,
	246 Mixed T.B. Major Methods,
	125 Pure Exercise T.B. Major
Class A	126 Pure Surprise,
Class B	20 Pure Surprise.

Total ... 622

The representatives of the other committees are doubtless sending direct to your columns.

In accordance with the resolution passed last year that Affiliated Guilds and Associations should send in their decisions on the question of conferring compulsory powers on the Council not later than 25th inst. I have to report that I have received the following:—

The Chester Guild is of opinion that such a course would not prove satisfactory.

The Gloucester and Bristol Association adopt the Chester resolution.

The Kent County Association asks the Council to indicate how they would propose to make their decisions binding.

The Lancashire Association considers that the Council will best do its work as an advisory body as hitherto.

The Norwich Diocesan Association does not consider the Council as at present constituted to be fitted to enforce its decisions, and that for such a purpose it would require to be fundamentally remodelled.

The foregoing is an epitome of the sense of the various resolutions which will, of course, be read in their entirety at the meeting.

Before closing let me reiterate an appeal for immediate payment of affiliation fees. As yet only about one-third of the number have come in, there still being twenty-three unpaid!

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES,

Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

Hon. Secretary.

27th April, 1920.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the Swindon Branch was held at Chippenham on Saturday, April 24th and was attended by members from the Swindon district, and the local towers of St. Andrew's and St. Paul's, the bells of which were available during the afternoon and evening. Some useful practice was obtained in Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Kent Treble Bob, Grandsire being left on the shelf. It was gratifying to learn that the Chippenham members had made advance in these methods, and congratulations must be extended to Mr. Pearce, who rang his first course of Double Norwich at the first attempt.

The Association form of service was conducted by the Rev. Parsons at St. Andrew's Church, and a substantial tea was partaken of at the Waverley Cafe. The business meeting followed, with Mr. Ernest Bishop, Branch President, in the chair. Four new members were elected, three of whom were hon. members. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the respective Vicars for the use of the bells and for the service.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A very successful and enjoyable meeting of the Luton District was held at Dunstable on April 17th, when members were present from Luton, Leighton Buzzard, Linslade, Woburn, Tring, Berkhamstead, Harpenden, and the local tower. A very pleasing feature was the large number of the local band who attended, ten members being present to welcome the visitors. The following methods were rung: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major. After tea, which was held at Wilson's Restaurant, a business meeting was held, with the Rector (Canon W. W. C. Baker) in the chair, supported by Alderman A. W. Webb, churchwarden.—The Rector brought forward the question of granting more power to the Central Council, and this provoked an interesting discussion, and the following resolution was afterwards passed: 'That this meeting, while recognising the good work done by the Central Council has done and is doing; and while being willing to respect the Council's decisions, thinks it undesirable to grant more power to the Council.'—Four new members from the local tower and one life member (Mr. O. Bayes, of Berkhamstead) were afterwards elected, and Husborne Crawley and Aspley Guise were selected for the next meeting to take place on May 14th.

## BELL RESTORATION IN KENT.

Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, is just now very busy in North Kent and has completed the restoration at Halling, where the old peal of five have been recast, and a new steel frame for eight and a new treble added, the addition being the 'Pease' bell. The five at Snodland have also been rehung and a new treble added. Mr. Bowell is at present rehanging the eight at Chatham, and goes from there to Northfleet to rehang the present six and add two new trebles.

On Monday evening, April 26th, the dedication service took place at Halling before a large congregation by the Archdeacon of Rochester, Canon Tait. During the singing of the hymn, 'Now at length our bells are mounted,' the choir and clergy proceeded to the ringing chamber, where the dedication prayer was said, and a short touch rung by members of the Rochester district of the Kent Association. In a stirring address, the Archdeacon reminded the congregation that above all the first message of the bells was a call to service; he also paid a glowing tribute to the bell ringers of to-day, and complimented the various County and other Associations on the reforms that had taken place in belfries during later years.

At the close a collection was taken for the bell fund and it is hoped that by the end of the year sufficient funds will be raised to add two more bells to complete the octave.

The ringers were welcomed by Mr. A. Bowell, and the bells were kept going from 8 until 10, and their tone and 'go' were much admired, the tenor being 11 cwt. in F sharp. Two 720's were rung of Kent Treble Bob and Double Oxford, and other methods were indulged in. Rochester district was represented by the secretary, district representatives, and members from Frindsbury, Gillingham, Milton-next-Gravesend, Rochester and Maidstone. The travelling members would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. and Mrs. Harris, of Halling, for their kindness in entertaining them after the ringing.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## EASTERN DIVISION SECRETARY RETIRES.

The annual meeting of the Eastern Division took place at Hailsham on April 24th, the following towers being represented: Battle Blacklands (Hastings), Bexhill, All Saints', St. Mary's and St. Saviour's, Eastbourne; Chiddingly, Mayfield, Rotherfield, Waldron, Heathfield, Pevensey, Shoreham, Brighton, Westham. Letters regretting absence were received from Salehurst and Christ Church, St. Leonard's-on-Sea. Mr. Matthews, the leader of the local band was present to welcome the members. Notwithstanding the new ropes, good practice was had in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble and Double Norwich during the afternoon and evening. About 40 members sat down to an excellent tea, and Host Christian was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for the good things provided by him.

At the business meeting the Rev. C. H. Clarke, M.A., Vicar of Chiddingly, was voted to the chair, and the following new members were elected: Messrs. A. W. Huggett and A. Coggin, of the St. Mary's band, Eastbourne and G. Hobbs, of All Saints' Eastbourne.

At the election of officers which followed, Mr. G. H. Howse tendered his resignation, and gave as his reason for giving up that, after 12 years as hon. secretary to the division, he thought he was getting a bit stale, and that a younger secretary would infuse new life into the division.—After a great deal of discussion, in which Messrs. Merritt, Statham, W. D. Smith, A. Piper, the Chairman, and others took part, the retiring hon. secretary proposed his friend, Mr. G. W. Stokes of All Saints', Eastbourne, and in doing so stated that Mr. Stokes was a keen ringer and just the man the Association needed.—Mr. Piper, having seconded the proposition, it was carried with acclamation.—Mr. Stokes thanked the company for so kindly electing him to the post, and said he would try and do the best he could for both the Division and Association generally.

The following members were elected to the committee: Messrs. W. Franks, J. Livermore and G. H. Howse.—Hearty votes of thanks were accorded to the retiring secretary, to Canon Harvey for the use of the bells, to Mr. Matthews and the local band, and to the Rev. Clarke for presiding at the meeting.

## AN 'IN MEMORIAM' QUARTER.

At St. Werburgh's Church, Blackwell, Derbyshire, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung on April 22nd in memory of the late Mr. George Hill, an old ringer at this church. The bells were half-muffled, and the ringers were: J. G. Ball 1, G. Taylor 2, S. Clowes 3, J. England (conductor) 4, E. Ball 5.

## MR. GEORGE H. CROSS'S 100 PEALS.

Minor: 1 Method, rung 1, conducted, 1; Minor: 3 Methods, 1, 1; Grandsire Triples, 4; Stedman Triples 5; Bob Major, 14, 7; Bob Royal, 1, 1; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 18, 11; Royal, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major, 10, 5; Royal 1; Maximus, 1; Double Norwich Major, 21, 2; St. Clement's Major, 1; Superlative Surprise Major, 2. On handbells: Bob Major 14, 13; Bob Royal 2, 2; Oxford Treble Bob Major 1, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major 1, 1; Stedman Caters, 1; total, 100, conducted 45.

## MEMORIAL TO STEBBING RINGER.

A district meeting of the Northern Division of the Essex Association was held at Stebbing recently, when ringers were present from Bocking, Braintree, Dunmow, Stisted, Rayne, Greenstead, Green Sible Hedingham, Felsted, and the local company. A service conducted by the Rev. W. W. Judges, Vicar, commenced with the hymn, 'O God, our help in ages past,' after which the Vicar proceeded to the belfry for the unveiling of the tablet to the late Pte. Edward Harry Emery, who, before joining the army, was a ringer at Stebbing Church. Colonel T. Gibbons, D.S.O., of Dunmow, who was colonel of the late ringer's regiment, unveiled the tablet, which bore the following inscription:—'In Sacred Memory of Edward Harry Emery, a ringer of this church, who bravely fell in action at the first battle of Gaza, 26th March, 1917.' The hymn, 'For all the saints who from their labours rest,' concluded the service, the organist playing 'O rest in the Lord' while the congregation was leaving the church.

Tea was provided at the Sunday School, followed by a business meeting, over which Mr. H. F. Cooper, District Master, presided, supported by Mr. C. H. Howard, Essex Master, the Rev. W. W. Judges, Vicar, and Mr. B. Ridgewell, district secretary. Seven honorary members from the South-Eastern Division were elected; also the Rev. W. W. Judges, of Stebbing, was elected an honorary member to the Northern Division. Five ringing members were elected from Stebbing. It was agreed to hold the next meeting at Belchamp Walter, in August. Mr. C. H. Howard proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar, also to the ringers' wives for making the excellent arrangements for the tea. Continuing, Mr. Howard spoke of the growth of the Association since the war had ceased, and welcomed the Rev. Judges as an honorary member of the Association. Referring to the meeting at Belchamp, after they hoped to hold one also at Finchingfield in the near future, as it was the oldest ring of eight bells in the deanery.—Mr. Judges replying, said he was glad to know that he had a very good band of ringers at Stebbing; and they had thoroughly cleaned and beautified the church belfry at their own expense. Subsequently various methods were rung on the church bells during the afternoon and evening including Kent Oxford, Plain Double Court, and a 720 of Cambridge.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## NORTHERN DISTRICT OFFICERS.

A meeting of the Northern District was held at St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, on Saturday, April 17th, about 24 members putting in an appearance. This was a slight improvement on the last meeting, but still left something to be desired. Some good touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, and Double Norwich were brought round. A short service was held at 5.30, the address given by the curate-in-charge, being very appropriate, and was much appreciated.

At the business meeting, which took place 'near by,' one new member was elected, viz.: Mr. A. J. Trappitt of Wallington. As the Master (Mr. A. D. Barker) was, at the annual meeting of the Association elected to fill the office of general secretary, a new Master was required for the Northern District. Mr. W. G. Matthews was duly elected to fill that office, but remarked that he thought some of the young blood might come forward for the job and put some 'go' into business. Mr. A. Howell was elected to the office of steward.

A hearty vote of thanks being accorded the Vicar's wife (the Vicar being out of town) for the use of the bells, and to the curate-in-charge for his excellent address, also to the steeplekeeper, Mr. Riley, for having the bells ready, brought the meeting to a close.

## NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

## To the Editor

Sir,—The report of the meeting in your issue of April 23rd, while not incorrect, may convey the idea that we treated the affairs of the Central Council rather cavalierly. What happened was, that the resolutions which you have fully printed previously, were brought up, and discussed, somewhat cursorily, it is true, but as fully as could be expected when there was so much other business to deal with, and it was proposed and seconded that these points should be left entirely to the elected representatives. In the division I believe, this was carried unanimously.—Yours

HERBERT DRANELL.

Ufford Rectory, April 26th, 1920.

## AN INGEN'OUS DATE TOUCH.

Mr. A. J. Perkins of South Beddington, sends the following ingenious date touch of Bob Major (1920 changes):—

23456 W. 5ths. 3rds. In.

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This has to be repeated eleven times with a single at home, half-way and end. It has 5—6 reversed and at home at alternate course ends, and the full extent in these positions.

## NOTICES.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held at Salisbury in celebration of the 700th anniversary of the Cathedral foundation, on Saturday, May 8th. Meeting in Church House 1.15. President, the Earl of Shaftesbury. Festival service in Cathedral 3 p.m. Sermon by the Bishop. Tea, by his lordship's kind invitation, in Palace grounds. Those intending to be present please write at once to Major D'Aeth, Buckhorn Weston, Wincanton, Somerset. Towers open: St. Martin's, St. Edmund's (8), Fisherton, Britford, Coombe Bissett, Dinton, Wishford (6).—F. L. Edwards, Secretary.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Leigh Parish Church on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available at 3 p.m.; meeting at 7 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Chipping Sodbury on Saturday, May 8th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30; tea at 5.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Castle Cary Deanery.—A meeting will be held at Baltonsborough on Saturday, May 8th.—Service 4.15; tea in Schoolroom 5 p.m.—E. Creed, Hon. Sec., Castle Cary.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A special ringing meeting will be held at Brafield on Saturday, May 8th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30; tea 5 p.m.—T. Law, District Sec., St. Peter's Cottages, Weston Favell.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Winchester District.—A quarterly meeting at Eling on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available at 2.30, also Diben (8). Tea and meeting at the Anchor Inn at 5.30.—W. H. George, District Sec., 1, Newton Road, Eastleigh.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Childwall on May 8th. Bells ready at 4; meeting at 6.—Rev. E. C. Collier and Walter Hughes, Hon. Secs.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A District meeting will be held at Chatteris on Saturday, May 8th. Those requiring tea please let me know early.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, May 8th. Bells available at 3 p.m.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms, Hatfield, Hon. District Secretary.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Darwen on Saturday, May 8th, 1920. Bells ready at 3 o'clock, meeting p.30 p.m. A special meeting will be held at the Blackburn Parish Church on Saturday, May 15th, to unveil a memorial tablet erected to the memory of the fallen ringers of the branch. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Unveiling at 4.15, followed by a short service. A tea will be provided in the school at 5.30, for which a charge of 1s. 9d. will be made. All applications for tea to reach Mr. A. Tomlinson, 57, Boxwood Street, Blackburn, not later than Wednesday, May 12th.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary, 33, Langham Road.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Brighton on Saturday, May 8th, 1920. Ringing: St. Nicholas (10) from 11 a.m., St.



Peter's (10) from 12 a.m. Lunch at St. Nicholas Parish Hall 1.30 p.m., 4s. each (members 2s.). Business meeting to follow. Service at St. Nicholas 4.30 p.m. Half railway fares. All members are asked to attend. — H. R. Butcher, Gen. Hon. Sec., Kent View, Crowborough.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Sudbury to-morrow, Saturday, May 8th. Meet at All Saints' 2 p.m.; tea at the Black Boy Hotel 4.15, 1/6 members, 2/6 non-members.—A. Symonds, Lavenham, Suffolk.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—(Etab. 1637.)—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on May 13th and 27th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 18th; Southwark Cathedral on the 25th; all at 7.30 p.m. \* Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham. S.W.4.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—A District meeting will be held at Chigwell Row on May 15th. Bells from 3 p.m.; service 5 p.m.; tea at 5.45; business meeting to follow.—E. Butler, District Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, May 15th. Tower open at 2.30. Service in Church at 5; tea, followed by business meeting, after. Half travelling expenses up to 2/- each will be paid to members attending. All members intending to be present at the meeting must notify the District Secretary not later than Tuesday, May 11th.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society). Etab. 1824.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 15th, at All Saints', Kingston-on-Thames. Tower open from 4 till 8 p.m.; business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above Branch will be held at Almondsbury on Saturday, May 15th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30; tea at 5, meeting following.—P. C. Williams, Branch Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Elizabeth's, Reddish, on Saturday, May 15th. Bells at 3.30; meeting at 7.—W. W. Wolfstencroft, Branch Sec.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A monthly meeting will be held at Fillongley, on Saturday, May 15th. Bells (6) available from 3 o'clock.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—S. & W. District.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Ealing, on Saturday, May 15th. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Ringers to make their own arrangements for tea after meeting at Lyons' (near by) or elsewhere.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Southwell on Saturday, May 15th. Ringing from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea 4.30. All wishing tea please notify Mr. A. Chamberlain, Easthorpe, Southwell, by May 13th. All ringers and friends are welcome.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The next meeting will be held at Leatherhead (10 bells) on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, address by the Vicar. Tea at 5.30, 9d. to members, 1/6 to visitors. A combined practice will be held at Aldershot (8 bells) at 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 15th. Tea will be provided at 1s. each.—John J. Jones, Hon. Sec., 3, Bridge Street, Guildford.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ottershaw on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present please notify me not later than Tuesday, May 18th?—G. Miles, District Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley, Surrey.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Northampton on Whit-Monday, May 24th. Ringing at all the churches, including Kingsthorpe, from 10 o'clock. Service in All Saints' Church at 2.30 p.m. It is also intended to unveil War Memorial tablet in All Saints' Church if possible. Meat tea in St. Giles' Church buildings at 3.30 p.m. (1/6 each), meeting to follow. As we are doing this at a low figure, it is most urgent that all who require tea let me know not later than Wednesday, May 19th.—Fred Wilford, General Sec., 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting of the Rochester District will be held at Cliffe on Saturday, May 29th, and not June 5th as arranged. Full particulars later.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Presteign and Leominster District.—The annual meeting will be held at Kingston on Saturday, May 15th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service at 5, with an address by the Rev. H. E. H. Probyn. Tea at 5.45, business meeting to follow.—A. Talbot, District Sec., Staunton-on-Harrow, Herefordshire.

**NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION** for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—A general meeting will be held at Great Yarmouth on Whit-Monday, May 24th. The ring of 12 bells at the Parish Church will be available for the use of ringers. Business meeting at the Priory Hall at 12 o'clock, to elect officers and committee for the Norwich branch. It is proposed that after the business meeting members should adjourn to Goole's Hotel and Assembly Rooms, Marine Parade, for dinner.—Albert L. Coleman, High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting at Colchester on Whit Monday, May 24th. Short service at St. Peter's at 3.30 p.m., address by the Rev. T. Evans, M.A., Rector of St. Giles. The meeting in Christian Court, Old Schoolroom, North Hill, at 4.15 p.m. Tea, 5.30 p.m., at St. Peter's Parish Room. Towers open all day, St. Peter's (8 bells), All Saints' (5), Great Horkesley (6). Members intending to be present should notify the Hon. Sec. not later than first post Tuesday, May 18th.—C. H. Howard (Master), H. T. W. Eyre (Hon. Sec.), The Temple, Witham.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.



### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. MANCHESTER BRANCH.

On Saturday, April 17th, the Manchester Branch met to do honour to the memory of the esteemed vice-president, Mr. Joseph Ridyard, of Worsley. Owing to the widow (Mrs. Ridyard) having to leave early, the simple yet beautiful ceremony of unveiling a memorial tablet to the memory of Mr. Joseph Ridyard was reverently performed by Canon Elsee, M.A., prior to service in church, where he gave a eulogy of the character and disposition of the deceased. Another peal tablet was also unveiled in the belfry to the memory of those who gave their lives in the great war.

A goodly number of ringers and friends did homage by their attendance at the service, the following branches being represented: Manchester, Bolton, Rochdale, Preston, Rossendale, Liverpool Diocesan Guild, etc.

Tea was partaken of in school, after which the business meeting was held, presided over by Canon Elsee, M.A., supported by the Rev. H. W. Thorne, M.A. (Vicar of Worsley), who was elected an honorary member of the Association.

It was proposed by the branch that it be recommended at the annual meeting to alter the date of the yearly meeting to a date earlier in the year a little before Whitsuntide.

Reddish was chosen as the next meeting-place on the 15th May.—A hearty vote of thanks was given to the Vicar for the use of the bells, to a local ringer for having things ready, and to the ladies for looking after the needs of the inner man.

CHIDDINGLY, SUSSEX.—On Thursday, April 8th in 42 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: C. Vine 1, W. H. White 2, Rev. C. H. Clarke 3, W. Jenner 4, A. Reed (conductor) 5, E. Milham 6. Rung at the wedding of Mr. H. R. Wilkinson (L.C.S.), and Miss T. Daintree at the above church. First quarter-peal by the treble and tenor men.

LONDON.—Royal Cumberland Youths.—On Sunday, April 11th, for evening service, at St. Giles' Cripplegate, a quarter-peal of Stedman Cinques: J. D. Matthews (conductor) 1, R. D. Marshall (first quarter of Stedman aged 16) 2, A. W. Hardy 3, W. H. Pickett (first quarter of Cinques) 4, A. J. Neall 5, T. Newman 6, W. H. Theobald 7, J. W. Cornford 8, G. Cord 9, W. Berry 10, E. Wightman 11, P. Smith 12.

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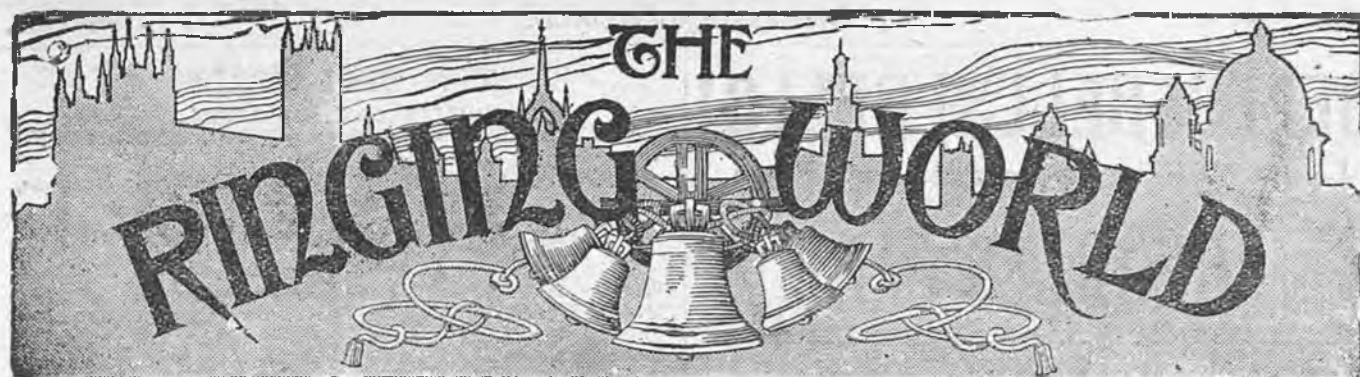
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## THE COMING COUNCIL MEETING.

The agenda of the Central Council meeting, to be held next Tuesday week at Northampton, contains no very striking items, and yet it provides material enough to make a session quite long enough to satisfy the desires of the most enthusiastic member. Three only, out of a considerable number of Committees, have, up to now, published their reports, and it seems as if the effort to get some of the Committees to record their work before the general body meets is rather a hopeless task, although it must be admitted that in a few instances there is very little indeed to be said. One of the reasons for this may perhaps be that the Council's Committees never actually meet, but do all their work by the more laborious process of correspondence. If they have any business, would it not be better that they should meet and discuss it? There should be no insuperable difficulty in this being done on the day before the meeting of Council in whatever centre the Council proposes to sit.

The Council's own future is not the least important subject which the members will have before them, in continuation of the debate which has already taken place at two meetings. Last year the Council invited the affiliated associations to express an opinion upon whether the central authority should be invested with compulsory powers, but even in this matter very few societies have yet communicated with the honorary secretary, although others, besides those given in the epitome last week, have, we know, passed an opinion. Certain it is, however, that nothing like all the affiliated bodies have had the matter brought officially before them, and it is these half-and-half methods that rob the Council of much of its value to the Exercise.

If the Associations could be brought to give a direct vote upon whether the Council should be continued or not, we do not hesitate to say that the decision would be in the affirmative by an overwhelming majority, yet the societies show very little energy in assisting the Council with its work. The mere fact that the honorary secretary has to make numerous appeals to get in the small affiliation fee from many Associations in time to enable the representatives of those organisations to vote at the Council meeting, shows how little some societies concern themselves with the interests of the Council, and another illustration is to be found in the fact that although asked for twelve months ago, and reminded again earlier this year, several Associations have not yet complied with the request to send in their roll of honour. Ringers grumble often enough about the Council; here, surely, the boot is on the other foot.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5061 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt.

WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. Treble	EDGAR HANCOX ... .. 6
*MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 2	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 7
FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 8
ISAAC ENERY ... .. 4	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 9
ARMIGER I. TROLLOPE ... .. 5	HENRY H. CHANDLER ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.  
Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First attempt for a peal on tower bells.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

SIDNEY PROCTOR ... .. Treble	WALTER WOOD ... .. 6
ROBERT RICHARDSON ... .. 2	JOHN W. LAKE ... .. 7
KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 3	JAMES OSBORN ... .. 8
JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 4	FRED W. STOKES ... .. 9
ARCHIE C. STOKES ... .. 5	REV. H. LAW JAMES ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

This is the first peal in the method on ten bells by all the band. Is it the first ever rung?

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-DE-SEPULCHRE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 10 cwt.

JOHN E. BURTON ... .. Treble	*MISS FRANCIS BILL ... .. 5
*MISS HILDA DURRANT ... .. 2	MISS MAY DURRANT ... .. 6
*MISS HELEN BILL ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 7
†D. THOMAS POTTER ... .. 4	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN E. BURTON.

First peal in the method on the bells. \* First peal in the method.  
† First peal in the method on an inside bell by the ringer of the 4th.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Geo. Mayers. It was the 100th peal by Geo. H. Cross. This is the first time this composition has been rung in Norwich.

HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S No. 35.

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

GEORGE PIGOTT ... .. Treble	ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... .. 2	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 6
VICTOR G. HEMUS ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
JOHN E. EATON ... .. 4	HARRY WITHERS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

This peal was rung with the bells half muffled as a tribute of respect to Tom Gibbs, a highly esteemed member of Harborne band, who was interred at the above church on the 17th.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.—On Sunday, April 18th, 1920  
Cambridge Surprise: P. E. Clark, H. Argent, G. Ambrose, G. Morrad, F. Hayes, F. M. Mitchell (conductor). Mr. Clark hails from Christ Church, Ealing, and this was his first attempt in the method, never having previously gone beyond the 'plain hunt.' Also touches of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent, Plain Bob and Oxford Bob by the same band.



WILLESDEN MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, April 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 10 cwt.	
BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... ..	Treble	THOMAS NEWMAN ... ..	5
THOMAS LANGDON ... ..	2	*HARRY KILBY ... ..	6
GEORGE M. KILBY ... ..	3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... ..	7
CECIL RADDON ... ..	4	RICHARD KILBY ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. NUDDS.

\* First peal in the method, also first peal in the method on the bells.

LONDON, W.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, April 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, WELLS STREET,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 21 cwt.	
† HARRY DYAS ... ..	Treble	HARRY MANCE, SEN. ... ..	5
* HARRY H. MANCE, JUN. ... ..	2	GEORGE C. ILES ... ..	6
† FREDERICK H. CROOK ... ..	3	FRANK SKEVINGTON ... ..	7
WILLIAM H. WOOD ... ..	4	CHARLES F. W. HUNT ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by FRANK SKEVINGTON.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman. ‡ First peal away from tenor.

PRITILEWELL, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18½ cwt.	
H. MAURICE KEBBY ... ..	Treble
GORDEN A. BACON ... ..	2
WILLIAM DOWSETT ... ..	3
WILLIAM DUDLEY ... ..	4
HENRY T. WILSON ... ..	5
WILLIAM S. JUDD ... ..	6
GEORGE E. WILSON ... ..	7
WILLIAM H. JUDD ... ..	Tenor

Composed by G. BURTON.  
Conducted by W. H. JUDD.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JACOB,

**A PEAL OF GRANDFIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.		Tenor 20 cwt.	
FREDERICK G. LEAKER ... ..	Treble	PERCY C. WILLIAMS ... ..	5
† MISS ANNIE BROWN ... ..	2	JESSE B. TYLER ... ..	6
SYDNEY ABRAHAMS ... ..	3	† EDWIN J. BROWN ... ..	7
FREDERICK J. PORCH ... ..	4	* GILBERT WILLIAMS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN J. BROWN.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method ‡ First peal as conductor.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.	
HARRY HALL ... ..	Treble
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... ..	2
PERCIVAL WOODS ... ..	3
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... ..	4
* THOMAS CHAPPELL ... ..	5
WILLIAM C. RUNSEY ... ..	6
SERGT. JAMES BENNETT, R.M. ... ..	7
THOMAS W. LAST ... ..	Tenor

Composed by the late W. HARRISON.  
Conducted by WILLIAM C. RUNSEY.

\* First peal in the method. Rung at the first attempt. Arranged to oblige the ringer of the 7th who was home on leave.

WORCESTER.—On April 27th, 720 of Cambridge Surprise Minor: F. W. Neate 1, W. C. Jones 2, W. Lewis 3, J. J. Jeffries 4, W. Page (conductor) 5, W. Edgington 6. First 720 in a Surprise Method by all except the conductor.

DEPTFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 14 cwt.	
* GEORGE HARRIS ... ..	Treble	ERNEST B. CROWDER ... ..	5
THOS. A. EASTERBY ... ..	2	ALBERT E. GODDARD ... ..	6
ALFRED G. BENNINGTON ... ..	3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... ..	7
FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON ... ..	4	ROBERT FOSDIKE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt.

GLOUCESTER.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Thursday, April 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-DE-CRYPT,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 12 cwt.	
JOHN W. DAVIES ... ..	Treble	CAPT. A. A. BENNETT ... ..	5
CHARLES H. AUSTIN ... ..	2	JOHN AUSTIN ... ..	6
ALBERT H. BAKER ... ..	3	ERNEST E. DAVIES ... ..	7
JESSE GILLET ... ..	4	EX-SERGT. J. WILLIAMS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Friday, April 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 12 cwt.	
GEORGE MITCHISON ... ..	Treble	GEORGE WALKER ... ..	5
GEORGE HITCHMAN ... ..	2	GEORGE ROBERTS ... ..	6
GEORGE V. H. HEMUS ... ..	3	GEORGE FIGOTT ... ..	7
GEORGE GARRISON ... ..	4	* GEORGE DOUGH ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE FIGOTT.

\* First peal. Rung in honour of St. George's day, it is also believed to be the first George peal rung in the Midlands. The ringers of treble, 6th and tenor were elected members before starting for the peal.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

BUXTON, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's.		Tenor 12 cwt.	
BERTIE DANIELS ... ..	Treble	WALTER ALLEN ... ..	4
HORACE BEAN ... ..	2	W. C. MEDLER ... ..	5
GEORGE FARROW ... ..	3	SIDNEY ALLEN ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

MALINS LEE.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's.	
JACK HARLEY ... ..	Treble
* CHARLES HEWITT ... ..	2
* FRANK MOLE ... ..	3
C. R. LILLEY ... ..	4
EDWARD WOODBINE ... ..	5
ALBERT WOODBINE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\* First peal.

GRIMSBY.—On Sunday, April 11th 1920, at St. Andrew's Church for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins.: F. Overton, A. Mingay, S. Bromfield, J. B. Budd, F. Metcalf, E. Brown. J. W. Seamer, W. E. Meffin. Conducted by J. W. Seamer. First quarter of Stedman by all except the conductor, and all are Sunday service ringers at above church.

## HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Canterbury, Chester, Beverley, York, Durham,  
Wells and London. Tenor 19 cwt.

HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. Treble	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 4
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 2	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... .. 5
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 3	WILLIAM STAPLETON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM STAPLETON.

Miss E. Steel's 50th peal. First peal of Surprise on the bells.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss L. R. Harlow, daughter of  
the ringer of the treble.

## PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 8 cwt.

*CHARLES W. HOLLAND ... Treble	VICTOR G. H. HEMUS ... 4
WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... 2	†ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... 5
†HARRY BRAGG ... 3	GEORGE PIGOTT ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE PIGOTT.

\* First peal. † First peal on tower bells. ‡ 50th peal. This was  
also the first peal of Bob Minor by all the band, and the first peal on  
the bells for which the Rector has kindly promised to erect a peal  
board. The ringers of Treble and 3rd were elected members before  
the peal.

## ASHBRITTLE, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

42 extents.

GILBERT JONES ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HARTNELL ... 4
FRED POLE ... .. 2	ALBERT TOUT ... .. 5
EDWIN W. DIFFIN ... .. 3	*SIDNEY FURRE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. TOUT.

\* First attempt. First peal on the bells. The ringer of the treble  
is from Chipstable, 2nd from Fitzhead, 3rd, 4th and 6th from  
Wiveliscombe, 5th from Milverton.

## KINGSWOOD, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of College Pleasure Violet, London Scholar's Pleas-  
ure, Woodbine, College Exercise, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE ILLMAN ... .. Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 4
WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 5
JOHN RICE ... .. 3	ALBERT ELLIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT ELLIS.

First peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

## PETERBOROUGH.

## THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's of Plain Bob.

*DORIS DALE ... .. Treble	ELSIE BRANDON ... .. 4
†KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... 2	WILLIAM H. WALDRON ... 5
*ANNIE DALE ... .. 3	JOHN J. JUTSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN J. JUTSON.

\* First peal. † 50th peal for the Association. The band were  
afterwards congratulated on the good striking by Messrs. A. H.  
Pulling, A. E. Wilkins, Rupert Richardson and F. Rowlinson.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

## PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT ST. MARY'S SCHOOL HOUSE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 8 in G.

*KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... 1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ... 5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 3-4	†TOM TEBBUTT ... 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire—JOHN J. JUTSON.

† First peal in hand. \* First peal away from 7-8. Rung as a  
birthday compliment to Mrs. Pulling.

## PETERBOROUGH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE NEW INN, OUNDLE ROAD,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 13½ in E flat.

ARTHUR E. WILKINS ... 1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ... 5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 3-4	KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: REG. AYRES, MR. and MRS. R. AYRES and  
MRS. PULLING.

## LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

## ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 21, 1920, in One Hour and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
IN THE TOWER,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two 720's of Kent and three  
720's of Plain Bob.

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... 1-2	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... 3-4
W. R. JOHN FOULSON ... 5-6	

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

Umpire: L. FOULSON.

Rung to celebrate the conductor's birthday, which occurred the day  
previous.

## LONG STANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

## THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE VICARAGE,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford, Kent and Worcester  
Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Double Bob and Plain Bob.

JOHN B. WOOLLEY ... 1-2	WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... 3-4
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY ... 5-6	

Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

Witness: MRS. WOOLLEY.

## SIBLE HEDDINGHAM, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Four Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF LEWIS WISEMAN,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 10080 CHANCES;

Being 720 of each of the following methods: Cambridge Surprise,  
Duke of York, Kent, New London Pleasure, Violet, Oxford, Wood-  
bine, Double Court, Double Oxford, Plain Bob, Oxford Bob, Double  
Bob, St. Clement's, College Single.

LEWIS WISEMAN ... 1-2	SIDNEY HALE ... 3-4
OLAVE BROYD ... 5-6	

Conducted by OLAVE BROYD.

Umpire: ARTHUR WASH. Witness: MRS. L. WISEMAN.

At Edgbaston, Birmingham, on Sunday, April 18th, for morning  
service, and to celebrate the 63rd birthday of Mr. J. Johnson, a date  
touch of Bob Minor (1920 changes) was rung in 52 mins.: J. Johnson  
1, E. Allaway 2, J. Eaton 3, V. G. H. Hemus 4, G. Pigott (conductor)  
5, H. Withers 6.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****BOLTON BRANCH.**

About 50 members attended the Bolton branch meeting held on Saturday last at Leigh. The towers of Bolton Parish Church, Deane, St. George's, Newchurch, Walkden, Tyblesley, Hindley, Pendleton, Pendlebury, Ashton, Manchester, and the local band, were represented, and the ringing included touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative in the Major section.

Canon Elseo, M.A. (president), took the chair at the meeting, and congratulated the members on having achieved the highest number of peals on tower bells during 1919.

Westhoughton was chosen for the June meeting.—A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, brought a very successful meeting to a close.

**ROCHDALE BRANCH.**

The monthly meeting of the above branch took place on Saturday last at Middleton Parish Church, the towers represented being Middleton, Milnrow, Balderstone, Todmorden (Parish and Unitarian), Heywood and Miles Platting. Owing to the fact that a G.F.S. service was held in the afternoon, ringing did not commence until 5 p.m., but after this the members enjoyed almost three hours with the bells.

The usual business meeting took place in the Clubroom at the Ring o' Bells, and this was presided over by Mr. W. Crabtree. It was decided that the next meeting should take place on June 12th, at St. Albans, Rochdale.

After some discussion on the question whether the annual meeting should be held earlier in the year, the Rochdale branch expressed themselves unanimously in favour of this, and suggested that it might be held on the first Saturday following Whit-Saturday.

The Milnrow representative made a strong appeal to all members of the Lancashire Association for financial assistance, as the bells in their tower were being thoroughly overhauled and rehung; this involving such great expense as to justify them in asking for some donation from the Association.

Mr. John Mutton was admitted a performing member of the Association and the meeting concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the tower and bells; also to the ringers for having everything in readiness.—During the remainder of the evening handbell ringing was indulged in.

**HERTFORD COLLEGE YOUTHS.****AN OLD SOCIETY RESUSCITATED.**

From the annual report presented by the hon. secretary (Mr. G. W. Cartmel) to the meeting of the Hertford County Association, we learn that the Hertford College Youths, which had long been in abeyance as a society, has been reformed. The report says: It is noteworthy to record that the Hertford College Youths has been resuscitated, and the bands of All Saints, St. Andrew's, and Bengoe, have become united together as a town band. The old Society was originally formed on the 5th September, 1767. The truth of the motto, 'Unity is strength,' I trust will ere long be proved in this instance, and Hertford once again become a strong centre of change ringing. The old Society was wont to meet for business at the 'World's End

Inn (the top of Fore Street), and held its annual festival on Midsummer Day, and we are told it was well attended, seldom less than 200 persons sitting down to dinner, served in the Council Chamber of the Shire Hall, to which the Marquis of Salisbury every year sent a fat buck. In 1769 the Hertford Society visited St. Albans, and on June 5th, 1770, the St. Albans College Youths returned the compliment. Whether the St. Albans Society kept a record of their doings I am unaware, but the Hertford Society sank into a state of suspended animation after the year 1822, and no minutes were kept between the years 1838 and 1847, but it is remarkable that it preserved an unbroken succession of members. The handbells were conveyed to trustees, viz., the Mayor for the time being, and the clergy and churchwardens for the time being of All Saints and St. Andrew's, and to their successors, 'to be kept by them in perpetuity as an heirloom, for the use of scientific change ringers in the town of Hertford, and for no other purpose.' The minutes of the proceedings of the Society, and Peal Book from 1767, Name Book, Touches, etc., by J. F. Powell, Esq., were conveyed to the same trustees, to be preserved among the muniments of the borough. Might I suggest that St. Albans emulate Hertford and revive the Society of St. Albans College Youths? I am confident that if this were done every band in the city would be strengthened, and the pleasure derived from meeting one another would be of inestimable value in many ways. I am inclined to think we need a gentle shaking, with someone to lead. Perhaps our new President (Mr. W. H. L. Buckingham) will take the hint, and make his year of office memorable.



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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

Major C. Hughes D'Aeth, Master of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, in his annual report, expresses regret that in so few towers in the diocese having six bells is Minor in any method practised.

A double-handed peal of Minor, comprising fourteen 720's in different methods, is a performance to be proud of, and the Sible Hedingham trio who brought off this achievement last Saturday are to be congratulated upon their enterprise and success.

Mr. H. Brownlee West, after nine years' energetic service, has resigned the hon. secretaryship of the Devizes Branch of the Salisbury Guild.

Mr. Joe Sykes is 'settling down.' For about the next two years - circumstances permitting—his address will be care of Messrs. Holmes and Co., English Oilfields Camp, Seitch, King's Lynn.

What, we believe, is the first peal of Double Oxford Bob Royal was rung last Saturday at Surfleet, where the Rev. H. Law James and his band are making good use of the ten bells by ringing peals in little practised methods.

Mr. E. A. Young, 1, Station Buildings, S.E.5, will be glad to receive any information which old ringers can give, either from memory or tradition, as to the early days of the St. James' Society (now the London County Association), and incidentally also of Mr. Tolladay or other of its early supporters.

### LONDON CHURCHES.

#### PROPOSED DEMOLITIONS.

The City Churches Commission, appointed by the Bishop of London, propose, in connection with the reorganisation of the ecclesiastical parishes and Church finance in the City, some drastic steps, including the removal of 19 City churches, whose capital site value alone is quoted as being near one and three-quarter million pounds. Ringers and ringing are intimately associated with some of these churches, and in connection with some of them it is gratifying to learn that the Commission recommend the retention of the tower. This is so in the case of St. Michael's, Cornhill (12 bells), and also St. Magnus the Martyr (10), St. Dunstan in the East and St. Botolph, Aldgate (8). Churches which it is proposed to sweep away entirely include All Hallows, Lombard Street (10), and St. Stephen, Coleman Street (8).

There is already considerable opposition to the removal of some of the churches proposed, and among the influential advocates for saving St. Michael's, Cornhill, is the Lord Mayor of London, who says: 'My impression is that the list of threatened churches is far too lengthy. I certainly hope that the proposals will not be carried out in their entirety, as such a sweeping demolition would change the face of the City, and rob us of many historical landmarks. Some of the churches might possibly be demolished, but the whole subject should first be carefully considered by a committee of expert architects and archaeologists. I am very sorry to see St. Michael's, Cornhill, figuring in the list. The church is a very beautiful edifice and attracts a good congregation every Sunday. The best of the Wren churches should certainly be preserved, but there are Wren churches and Wren churches. I have not yet had time to study all the facts, but I can see no special objection to the removal of such a church as St. Catherine Coleman, near Fenchurch Street. It has no particular historical associations, and I believe its average Sunday congregation is three.'

Mr. E. Alex. Young, writes:—We Londoners cannot spare one of our City churches, not even St. Paul's. They are akin to the very atmosphere of City life, the whole are of prime interest, and many are exceptionally beautiful specimens of the English Renaissance. Wren overshadows his contemporaries, but it must not be forgotten that for the pure artistry of architecture, he was surpassed by Inigo Jones, who immediately preceded him, and by Nicholas Hawksmoor, his own most famous pupil, who followed him. Hawksmoor's outstanding work is undoubtedly St. Mary Woolnoth. Both interior and exterior are exceptionally fine, and the detail in perfect 'scale' with the composition.

I trust it will be remembered that the Sunday uses of these churches is secondary nowadays to their value in giving opportunity to City workers to enter them daily for silent prayer and meditation, and to their uses for concerted services such as we had at St. Clement's last year.

I would remind you that St. Clement's and St. Mary-le-Strand, were only saved by a tough fight 30 years ago. What would the East Strand look without them?

I trust that Church folk up and down the country will feel that the two million pounds is dearly bought at such a loss. Indeed, after such, nothing would be safe.

So far as the bells are concerned, there is an opportunity for the Central Council to use its influence to see that, where towers with peals are demolished, the bells are transferred if possible to some other belfry, where they can continue to be of use. But unless the Council decide on a line of action when they meet at Whitsun, it may be too late.



## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Third Session of the Tenth Council (28th annual meeting) will be held by kind permission of the Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor F. Kilby, Esq.) and the Corporation, in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall, St. Giles' Square, Northampton, on Whitsun Tuesday, May 25th, 1920, at 11 o'clock punctually.

The morning sitting will be adjourned from 1 p.m. till 2.30 p.m., from which time the Council will sit, if necessary, until 5.30 p.m.

The Standing Committee will meet previously at 9.45 a.m. in the same Chamber.

### AGENDA, 1920.

1. Minutes of last meeting.
2. Roll of Honour.
3. Apologies for Absence.
4. Statement of Accounts and of Sale of Publications.
5. Election of Honorary Members.
6. Introduction of New Members to the President.
7. To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees:
  - (a) Standing Committee.
  - (b) Peal Collection.
  - (c) Literature and Press.
  - (d) Methods.
  - (e) Peals Analysis.
  - (f) Towers and Belfries.
  - (g) Bells of Belgium.

To consider the following:

8. That the Council compile and keep up to date an official list of the first peal and longest peal rung in each method, and on each number of bells.
9. To consider the question of the term 'Surprise Method,' and, if thought advisable, to move a resolution.
10. That the Central Council take steps to approach the authorities of the Victoria and Albert Science and Art Museum with a view to the possibility of obtaining from them the allotment of a suitable space for the exhibition in London of bells, models, papers, drawings, etc., illustrative of Campanology as a science and art.
11. That arrangements be made for the Council to hold its annual meeting on the Tuesday after the first Sunday after Trinity.
12. Votes of thanks.
13. Other business, if any.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

Hon. Secretary.

The following arrangements have been made for ringing before and after the Council Meeting:—

Whitsun Day.—Ringing at all the Churches at 10 a.m. and at 5.30 p.m.

Saturday (Whitsun Eve.) and Wednesday, 26th, peals can be arranged on these days (and possibly also on Whitsun Monday morning), at Kettering, Irthlingborough, Finedon, Higham Ferrers, and Raunds (all eight bells) and at Cooknoe and Duston (six bells).

The Central Northants Association most kindly invite members of Council to tea in St. Giles' Church Buildings, St. Giles' Street, on Tuesday, at 5.30 p.m.

After tea, the ring of ten at St. Giles' and of eight at St. Edmund's will be available.

The evening gathering will take place at 8.30 p.m. at the Grand Hotel in Gold Street.

Northampton is an ancient and historical borough. Chief among its features comes, of course, the famous round Church of the Holy Sepulchre, comparable with the Temple in London which most of us know, and with the round Church at Cambridge which many of us saw when the Council met there. St. Peter's Church is characterised by fine Early Norman arches. Among other 'sights' should be mentioned the old house known as Cromwell House, and just outside the town, Queen Eleanor's Cross, one of that line of which includes Banbury Cross and ends with Charing Cross.

### REPORT OF THE PEAL COLLECTION COMMITTEE.

In accordance with the instructions of the Council at its last meeting, an estimate has been obtained for printing the Collection of Peals of Treble Bob, but as this estimate largely exceeds the available funds, the work could not be put in hand. The MS. submitted to the printer contains 298 peals of Major, in five, three, and two parts, the cost of printing which would be £100—£125. There remain the peals of Major, in one part, peals with tenors parted, and peals of Royal and Maximus, about as many in number of those already sent to the printer. The present cost of printing the whole collection would, therefore, be over £200. The last half of the collection has not been finally arranged for the press.

### ROLL OF HONOUR.

Hon. Secretaries of Associations who have not yet sent in their roll of honour are earnestly requested to send it immediately to the President, the Rev. A. H. F. Boughay, Trinity College, Cambridge.  
C. D. P. DAVIES, Hon. Sec.

### LADIES' GUILD.

A meeting for practice in connection with the Western District was held on Wednesday, May 5th, at Clapton-in-Gordano, about 1½ miles from Bristol, where there are four regular lady ringers. The beautiful old church in its rural surroundings was much admired, and a large party of ringers from neighbouring towers (including Clevedon and Portishead) enjoyed the outing, and very much appreciated the generosity of the Clapton lady ringers, who provided for them such a delicious and daintily served tea.

It is hoped during the summer to hold other meetings of this kind, as they bring together ringers who are not always able to attend the regular quarterly meetings.

### GATHERING AT CROYDON FOUNDRY.

A very enjoyable gathering of members of the Ladies' Guild and their friends was held at Croydon, on Wednesday, May 5th. Members were present from Aldershot, Bedford, Chiddingfold, Clapton, Clapham, Dorking, Edmonton, Guildford, Kingston, Hillingdon, Mersham and Worplesdon.

Ringing took place at St. Peter's, Croydon, and for the first time the bells were rung in rounds by ten members of the Guild. After the ringing a visit was paid to the foundry of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. Mr. Johnston and his staff conducted the party round the works, where they saw turret and small clocks in course of manufacture, and then saw a peal of six bells for St. Paul's, Canonbury, cast in the foundry. Mr. Johnston explaining the various stages through which a bell has to pass before being ready for ringing.

Mr. Johnston then tapped some selections on the carillon of 23 bells which is to be installed in the belfry at the works. This was greatly enjoyed by the visitors.

Tea was served in the canteen and about 60 sat down including Sir Frank Newnes, Bart., and Lady Newnes, Mr. Dennis Herbert, M.P. for Watford, the Mayoress of Croydon, and Mrs. A. A. Johnston. After tea, Mr. Johnston said how pleased he was to have an opportunity of welcoming the Guild to Croydon, and he hoped that the Guild would continue to flourish.—Miss Steel, of Bedford, replied and thanked Mr. Johnston, on behalf of the members, for his kindness in entertaining them. She was sure all had had a very enjoyable afternoon, and greatly appreciated the time and trouble taken by Mr. Johnston and his staff to make the visit such a success.—Miss Feltham, of Hillingdon, also spoke and fully endorsed Miss Steel's remarks.

Sir Frank Newnes and Mr. Herbert also made short speeches, wishing the Guild success.—The Secretary of the Guild then proposed Lady Newnes and Mrs. A. A. Johnston as honorary members of the Guild.—This was seconded and carried with acclamation.

Thus ended an afternoon which will be long remembered by all who were present.

### CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

#### STOCKPORT BRANCH.

The second quarterly meeting for the year of the Stockport Branch was held at Disley, on Saturday, May 1st, and, considering the unsettled state of the weather, was well attended, about sixty members being present. The six bells were kept going to Treble Bob, Stedman and Grand sire Doubles. The performance of the ringers from Holy Trinity, Stalybridge, who were only enrolled members of the Guild at the last meeting, was encouraging, and speaks well for their tutor.

On account of the church being in the decorators' hands, a service could not be held, but a splendid tea was provided in the Schoolroom. This was followed by the usual business meeting, the Vicar of Disley presiding.

With reference to a War Memorial the Hon. Secretary reminded the members of the suggestion of the General Committee, that a peal be rung in those towers which had lost ringers, and a suitable tablet erected recording such peal and the object for which it was rung. If any such tower found it impossible to provide a band from its own members, assistance could be obtained from other towers.

Two new members were elected, and Marple was chosen as the place of the next meeting, to be held on June 19th, 1920.—A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells and presiding at the meeting, also to the local ringers for making all arrangements, and this brought the meeting to a close.

The bells were again requisitioned and kept going until 8 p.m.

### THE RECORDING OF PEALS.

To the Editor.

Sir.—Now that the need for economy is so pressing, is there any justification for publishing twice in full detail the reports of all peals rung? They usually appear in the 'Ringing World' and afterwards in the Association reports. To my mind only a small proportion are worth recording at all, but even the keenest enthusiast should be satisfied if they were published once.—Yours, etc.,  
Liverpool.

R. O. STREET.

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## THE OSCILLATION OF TOWERS.

HOW IT IS AFFECTED BY THE HEIGHT OF THE BELLS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I have twice been asked during the last twelve months to express an opinion as to the effect of lowering the bells in towers where the oscillation of the towers was considerable, and I think it might be desirable to state the general principles upon which I based my replies to these inquiries.

The experiments which I made before the war appeared to justify the two following assumptions:—

(1) That the average tower could be regarded as an elastic structure.

(2) That it was not far wrong to regard the moment of inertia of a section of a tower about a neutral axis as being fairly constant at different heights, up to the point of suspension of the bells.

There is much room for further investigation into the truth of these assumptions. But I see no chance of being able to carry out such investigations in the near future. With these two assumptions the behaviour of a tower under applied horizontal forces, due to the revolution of the bells, is that of a vertical cantilever of uniform section. Then if  $y$  be the deflection of a tower at a height  $x$ , due to a horizontal force  $H$  applied to the tower at height  $h$ , we have the following equation:—

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{M}{E.I} = \frac{H(h-x)}{E.I} \quad \dots (1)$$

Where  $M$  is the bending moment at a height  $x$ ,  $E$  is the modulus of elasticity, and  $I$  is the moment of inertia of the section about the neutral axis.

Integrating (this equation (1) we get the inclination at a height  $x$

$$= \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{H \left( h x - \frac{x^2}{2} \right)}{E.I} \quad \dots (2)$$

(there is no constant for  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  where  $x = 0$ )

Integrating the equation (2) we get the deflection at a height  $x$

$$= y = \frac{H \left( \frac{h x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{6} \right)}{E.I} \quad \dots (3)$$

(again there is no constant for  $y = 0$  when  $x = 0$ )

Now, if  $x$  equals  $h$  we have the deflection at the height of the bells

$$= \frac{H}{E.I} \left( \frac{h^3}{3} \right)$$

This shows that the deflection of the tower (and consequently the difficulty of ringing caused by that deflection) varies directly as the cube of the height at which the bells are hung.

So much for the effect on the ringers. Now for the effect on the tower.

Suppose the total height of the tower to be  $t$ . The deflection of the top of the tower equals the deflection at the height  $h$  plus  $(t-h) \times$  inclination at height  $h$ . From equations (2) and (3) this equals

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{H}{E.I} \times \frac{h^3}{3} + \frac{H}{E.I} \times \frac{h^2}{2} (t-h) \\ &= \frac{H}{E.I} \times h^2 \left( \frac{t}{2} - \frac{h}{6} \right) \end{aligned}$$

To take a concrete example, suppose a tower 100 feet high with the bells hung at 80 feet. If the bells be lowered 20 feet the deflection of the tower at the point of suspension of the bells is reduced in the

ratio  $\left( \frac{60}{80} \right)^3$ , a reduction of 57.8 per cent. In other words, if the bells be dropped by one quarter of their height, the difficulties of ringing due to the oscillation of the tower would be reduced by more than half.

Again, consider the effect on the tower. The deflection of the top of the tower would be reduced in the ratio.

$$\begin{aligned} & 60^2 \left( \frac{100}{2} - \frac{60}{6} \right) = 27 \\ & 80^2 \left( \frac{100}{2} - \frac{80}{6} \right) = 44 \end{aligned}$$

In this case the deflection of the top of the tower is reduced by 38.6 per cent.—Yours faithfully,

EDWIN H. LEWIS

## NOTICES.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—(Estab. 1637.)—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on May 27th; \*St. Giles, Cripplegate, on the 18th; Southwark Cathedral on the 25th; all at 7.30 p.m. \* Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division.—A District meeting will be held at Chigwell Row on May 15th. Bells from 3 p.m.; service 5 p.m.; tea at 5.45; business meeting to follow.—E. Butler, District Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, May 15th. Tower open at 2.30. Service in Church at 5; tea, followed by business meeting, after. Half travelling expenses up to 2/- each will be paid to members attending.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudfey Road, Tunbridge Wells.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society). Estab. 1824.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 15th, at All Saints', Kingston-on-Thames. Tower open from 4 till 8 p.m.; business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above Branch will be held at Almondsbury on Saturday, May 15th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30; tea at 5, meeting following.—P. C. Williams, Branch Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Elizabeth's, Reddish, on Saturday, May 15th. Bells at 3.30; meeting at 7.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A monthly meeting will be held at Fillongley, on Saturday, May 15th. Bells (6) available from 3 o'clock.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—S. & W. District.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Ealing, on Saturday, May 15th. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Ringers to make their own arrangements for tea after meeting at Lyons' (near by) or elsewhere.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Southwell on Saturday, May 15th. Ringing from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea 4.30. All ringers and friends are welcome.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—The next meeting will be held at Leatherhead (10 bells) on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, address by the Vicar. Tea at 5.30, 9d. to members, 1/6 to visitors. A combined practice will be held at Aldershot (8 bells) at 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 15th. Tea will be provided at 1s. each.—John J. Jones, Hon. Sec., 3, Bridge Street, Guildford.

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—A meeting will be held at Knebworth on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells available after 3 p.m.—F. R. Bacon, District Secretary, West Hill, Hitchin.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ottershaw



on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present please notify me not later than Tuesday, May 18th?—G. Miles, District Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley, Surrey.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Northampton on Whit-Monday, May 24th. Ringing at all the churches, including Kingsthorpe, from 10 o'clock. Service in All Saints' Church at 12 noon. It is also intended to unveil War Memorial tablet in All Saints' Church if possible. Meat tea in St. Giles' Church buildings at 3.30 p.m. (1/6 each), meeting to follow. As we are doing this at a low figure, it is most urgent that all who require tea let me know not later than Wednesday, May 19th.—Fred Wilford, General Sec., 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Presteign and Leominster District.—The annual meeting will be held at Kington on Saturday, May 15th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service at 5, with an address by the Rev. H. E. H. Probyn. Tea at 5.45, business meeting to follow.—A. Talbot, District Sec., Staunton-on-Harrow, Herefordshire.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Ramsbottom on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells ready at 4.30. Meeting at 7. Subscriptions due, reports to hand.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION** for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—A general meeting will be held at Great Yarmouth on Whit-Monday, May 24th. The ring of 12 bells at the Parish Church, and also the ring of 6 bells at Gorleston, will be available for the use of ringers. Business meeting at the Priory Hall at 11.30 o'clock, to elect officers and committee for the Norwich branch. It is proposed that after the business meeting members should adjourn to Goole's Hotel and Assembly Rooms, Marine Parade, for dinner.—Albert L. Coleman, High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting at Colchester on Whit Monday, May 24th. Short service at St. Peter's at 3.30 p.m., address by the Rev. T. Evans, M.A., Rector of St. Giles. The meeting in Crispin Court, Old Schoolroom, North Hill, at 4.15 p.m. Tea, 5.30 p.m., at St. Peter's Parish Room. Towers open all day, St. Peter's (8 bells), All Saints' (5), Great Horkesley (6). Members intending to be present should notify the Hon. Sec. not later than first post Tuesday, May 18th.—C. H. Howard (Master), H. T. W. Eyre (Hon. Sec.), The Temples, Witham.

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**—Annual meeting Whit-Monday, May 24th, 1920, at Exeter, service St. Sidwell's 3.30. Tea (1s.) and meeting St. Sidwell's Institute, 4.15.—E. S. Powell, Hon. Sec., Holbeton, Plymouth.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Ipswich Branch.—A meeting will be held on Whit-Monday, May 24th. Bells at Coddensham available after 11 a.m., Henley all day. Business meeting at Henley 3 p.m. Members attending must make their own arrangements for luncheon, as it has been found impossible to cater for same.—E. Evans, Hon. Branch Secretary, 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting at Stockton-on-Tees on Whit-Monday, May 24th, 1920. Committee meeting at

11 a.m. Short service and address at 12 by the Rev. E. A. Douglas, M.A., Vicar of Stockton. Lunch at the Spread Eagle Hotel, Dovecourt Street, Stockton, at 1 p.m. Those intending to be at the lunch (3s. per head) must notify the hon. secretary not later than Tuesday, May 18.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Secretary, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting of the Rochester District will be held at Cliffe on Saturday, May 29th, and not June 5th as arranged. Full particulars later.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Cliffe on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3. Short service at 5, conducted by the Rector (Rev. A. T. Wallis). Tea at 5.30 at The Six Bells, followed by business meeting. Tea, 1s. 6d. per head, can only be supplied to those who notify me by first post Tuesday, May 25th. Half rail fares up to 2s. will be paid. Bus leaves Chatham for Cliffe at 4. Train from Gravesend 2.35.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Secretary, 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Brecon District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Builth Wells on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (6) ready 3 p.m. Tea 5.30, advise me by 25th.—J. P. Hyett, District Secretary, Dufas Terrace, Hay.

**THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The next quarterly meeting of this Guild will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4.30. It is hoped that every member will make a special effort to attend this meeting, which is most important.—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**OXFORD GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Members and friends are invited to attend a gathering at Chalfont St. Peter on Saturday, May 29th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Evensong, with an address by the Rev. Canon Coleridge, at 3.45. Tea by invitation 4.30. To facilitate arrangements kindly send a card to Mr. J. Stone, Beaumont House, Orchard Grove, Chalfont St. Peter, by May 22nd.—G. H. Gutteridge, Iver Heath, Uxbridge.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

#### DEATH.

**PANNETT.**—May 9th, 1920, at 75, Gilmore Road, Lewisham, Lucy, the beloved wife of Edwin J. Pannett, in her 49th year.

#### GAINSBOROUGH RINGER'S DEATH.

With the bells half-muffled, as a tribute of respect to Mr. G. Wilson, who was for a number of years a much-respected ringer at the church, and to the regret of his old comrades, passed away in Lincoln County Hospital on Thursday, April 22nd, and also to the late Crown Princess of Sweden, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at All Saints' Church, Gainsborough, on May 3rd in 53 mins.: F. S. W. Butler (conductor) 1, W. Dickenson 2, J. T. Bartram 3, J. C. Tinker 4, J. T. Ladd 5, C. H. Baker 6, H. Torr 7, J. Dixon (and quarter-peal) 8.

#### LADIES' LONGEST TOUCH OF CINQUES.

On Thursday, May 6th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Cinques was rung at St. Mary, Redcliffe, Bristol, by: Mrs. R. J. Wilkins 1, Miss ... Brown 2, R. J. Wilkins 3, A. Pearce 4, H. Porch 5, G. Pearce 6, P. Came 7, ... Pring 8, J. Brown 9, F. Jewell 10, W. A. Cave (conductor) 11, T. Donaldson 12. This was the longest touch of Cinques for the ringers of the treble and 2nd, and was rung on the anniversary of the Accession of King George, and also to celebrate the 27th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkin's wedding day.



**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

On Saturday, April 24th, a meeting of the Huntingdon Archdeaconry was held at St. Neots, where the bells, a peal of eight, have been entirely recast and rehung by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. Loughborough, with the result that the tower now possesses a very fine peal, with a tenor of 29 cwt. Ringing commenced early in the afternoon, and continued, with short intervals, until five o'clock, when the Vicar, Archdeacon Hodgson, conducted a short service. After the service the ringers adjourned to the Church Room for tea. The Archdeacon presided at the tea, and also at the business meeting which immediately followed.

It was decided that the next meeting should be held at Huntingdon the date being left for the district secretary to arrange.—Seven new members were elected.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Archdeacon for the use of the bells, and for conducting the service.—In reply, he said it was a great pleasure to have the ringers there, and hoped they would go there again. The meeting then concluded, and further ringing took place.

Eynesbury tower, which is only two or three hundred yards away, was also open, and various touches were rung on the six bells.

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The peal of Superlative, rung at Coggeshall, Essex, conducted by Mr. W. Keeble, was interesting for several reasons. It was rung to celebrate the 44th anniversary of the opening of the two trebles which took place on Easter Monday, April 17th, 1876, and at which Mr. J. J. Sadler, the ringer of the 5th, was present. During the 44 years he claims to have walked over 12,000 miles to this tower. This peal was also the conductor's 333rd peal, rung on 200 different dates, in 107 towers, in 26 counties, in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, with 303 ringers, 42 of whom are named William like himself. Forty-two is also the conductor's age, and the composers of the peals also number 42. The conductors number 26, and the peals were rung under 15 County Associations and Diocesan Guilds.

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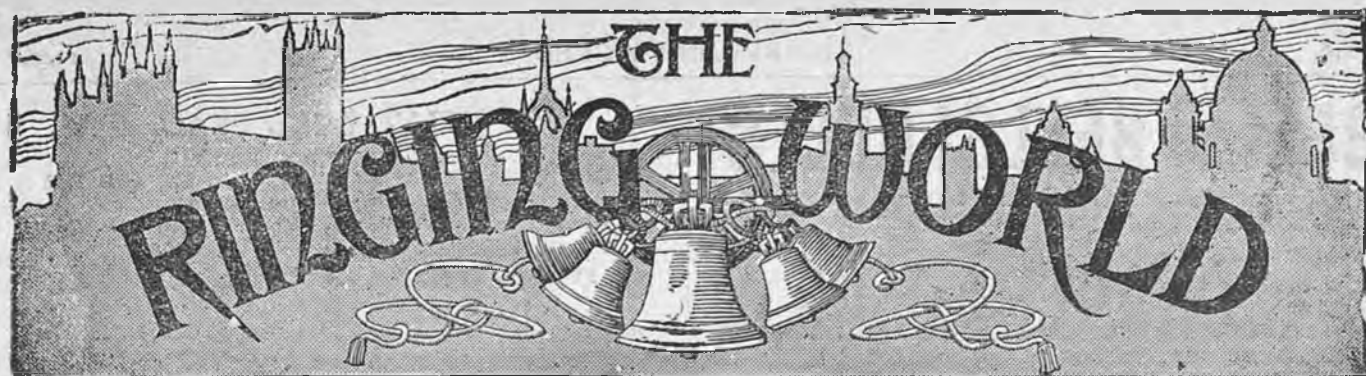
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## THE COUNCIL'S BUSINESS.

Apart from the routine business and the discussions that are likely to arise out of the various Committee's reports, there are several items of interest to which the members of the Central Council will be asked to give their consideration at the meeting at Northampton next Tuesday. It is to be hoped, therefore, that valuable time will not be frittered away at the morning session, as has been done at many past meetings, by discussing at length points of trivial importance. Among the matters that will claim chief attention will be, as already mentioned, the future of the Council itself, which will, presumably, be dealt with on the report of the Standing Committee, for at the last meeting it was resolved that this Committee be instructed to consider the procedure of the Council and take such action as they think fit. This reference gives the Committee plenty of scope, and one of the matters to which they might give attention is the provision of a time table for the business. Generally, however, we hope a definitely enterprising policy will be decided upon.

Of the resolutions down for discussion, two at least will commend themselves to the Exercise generally, and we should like to see the scope of the motion authorising the Council to compile and keep up to date an official list of the first peal and longest peal rung in each method and on each number of bells, extended (if it is not the mover's intention already) to include the record of the progressive lengths, in the various methods, wherever it is possible to obtain it. Such a record would be invaluable in generations to come, for the longer its compilation is left the more difficult the task is likely to be. The resolution suggesting that steps be taken to get an exhibit in the Victoria and Albert Science and Art Museum is also an excellent one, and one which there is little doubt the Council will at once adopt.

The motion on the question of the definition of a Surprise method will give the 'professors' their opportunity, although circumstances may force the discussion on this topic to be rather one-sided. Much more divergence of opinion is likely to be shown upon the suggested alteration in the date of the Council's meeting. It is true that the Tuesday after Whitsun is inconvenient to members whose own society holds its annual meeting on Whit-Monday, especially when the Council meeting is at a distance; but we doubt if the proposal to hold the meeting on the Tuesday after the first Sunday after Trinity is likely to commend itself very highly to the majority of the Council, as it would rob the members to whom working days are important, of the advantages of the Bank Holiday, which provides the opportunity of a more extended visit to the district where the meeting is held.

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GEORGE R. PYE ...	3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ...	9
WILLIAM J. KEMP ...	4	CORNELIUS CHARGE ...	10
ALBERT W. COLES ...	5	REUBEN SANDERS ...	11
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JESSE B. TYLER ...	4	WALTER FARLEY ...	9
RAYMOND J. WILKINS ...	5	*THOMAS M. GRIFFEN ...	Tenor
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SIDNEY ROPER ...	3	*ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ...	8
ISAAC EMERY ...	4	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ...	9
EDWIN F. PIKE ...	5	T. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ...	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.  
Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

\* First peal on ten bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to R. Brough.

ROTHERHAM.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
At the PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5076 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt.

FRED WATKINSON ...	Treble	†SIDNEY BRIGGS ...	6
MISS W. M. HAGUE ...	2	†ALFRED T. BAKER ...	7
†WILLIAM BARTON ...	3	WILLIAM BIGGIN ...	8
ARTHUR HAGUE ...	4	COLIN RYDER ...	9
†WILLIAM CHOWN ...	5	*LEONARD LITTLEWOOD ...	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.  
Conducted by F. WATKINSON.

\* First peal. † First peal of Caters. Rung on the occasion of the induction of Canon Alfred Allen, to the Vicariate of Rotherham, by the Bishop of Sheffield.

At King's Norton, on February 23th, for evening service, in 1 hr. 10 mins., a date touch of Double Norwich Major (1920 changes): C. Webb 1, E. J. Dowler 2, P. Laplin 3, V. G. H. Hemus 4, J. Withers 5, B. Grove 6, H. Withers 7, G. Pigott (conductor) 8.



**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

BUCKLEBURY, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD  
(NEWBURY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

EMMA FRANKLYN... .. Treble	F. FREEMAN... .. 5
S. CHAPMAN... .. 2	W. MATHEWS... .. 6
G. DAVIS... .. 3	J. HAZELL... .. 7
STELLA DAVIS... .. 4	W. WIGMORE... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. MATHEWS.

First peal of Triples by all the ringers who are members of the local band. Also the first peal on the bells since they were augmented to eight.

WIVELISCOMBE, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 30 cwt.

WILLIAM CHAPMAN... .. Treble	EDWARD LLOYD... .. 5
ROBERT SCOTT... .. 2	ARCHIBALD ANDREWS... .. 6
JAMES HUNT... .. 3	WILLIAM WHITE... .. 7
HENRY NORMAN... .. 4	JOHN CARTER... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. HUNT.

Ringers of 3, 5 and 7 hail from Taunton, the rest from Milverton.

BASINGSTOKE, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

*ROBERT G. C. FLEW... .. Treble	JOHN WARD... .. 5
FREDERICK G. PAICE... .. 2	ALFRED BURGESS... .. 6
FREDERICK WILSON... .. 3	JOHN BALLARD... .. 7
*JOHN CHESTERMAN... .. 4	*JOHN HEPWORTH... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN BALLARD.

First peal on the bells. \* First peal.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN HOLMAN... .. Treble	ALFRED C. WRIGHT... .. 5
ARTHUR HAGUE... .. 2	THOMAS RILEY... .. 6
WILLIAM LAMBERT... .. 3	ARTHUR KNIGHTS... .. 7
THOMAS BETTISON... .. 4	JOHN FLINT... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

SAM THOMAS... .. Treble	JAMES H. CHARLESWORTH... .. 5
*ARTHUR HELLIWELL... .. 2	C. DALTON POTTER... .. 6
SAM HARRISON... .. 3	JOHN R. BREARLEY... .. 7
ARCHIE BREARLEY... .. 4	WILLIAM HARRISON... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN.

Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute to the memory of David Brearley, the father and tutor of this company from the installation of the bells in 1892.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

*GEORGE W. BRAME... .. Treble	JOHN FLOWER... .. 5
ALBERT H. WARD... .. 2	JOSEPH LORD... .. 6
KENNETH G. SHELDON... .. 3	HENRY LETTIS... .. 7
WM. HENRY GEORGE... .. 4	*WILLIAM A. PARSONS... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in commemoration of the anniversary of the death of the late Sir Arthur P. Heywood, Bart.

\* First peal.

CHESTER-LE-STREET, DURHAM.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

ALFRED F. HILLIER... .. Treble	R. ALDER GOFTON... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON... .. 2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON... .. 6
WILLIAM H. BARBER... .. 3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD... .. 7
JAMES E. GOFTON... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

First peal in the method on the bells and in the County of Durham. The band tender their thanks to Dr. Jackson for the use of the bells and Mr. J. Crawford for arranging and having everything in readiness.

BIRSTALL, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 22 cwt.

WILLIAM B. SMITH... .. Treble	FIRTH HOPWOOD... .. 5
ARTHUR WALKER... .. 2	FRANCIS BARKER... .. 6
FREDERICK W. DIXON... .. 3	WILLIAM E. H. ASH... .. 7
HARRY WALTERS... .. 4	HERBERT PEEL... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM ASH.

First peal of Stedman on the bells, which were installed by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.

HERTFORD.

THE HERTFORD ASSOCIATION AND THE HERTFORD COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Thursday, April 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 16 cwt.

JOSEPH LADLEY... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON... .. 5
REGINALD DORE... .. 2	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE... .. 6
ARTHUR WRIGHT... .. 3	GEORGE GRAY... .. 7
HERBERT J. GRAY... .. 4	HERBERT FENTIMAN... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. W. RICHARDSON.

Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Hugh Gisby and Miss Dora Baker, daughter of Col. Herbert Baker, Master of the Hertford College Youths. This is believed to be the quickest peal on the bells.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Wednesday, April 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT ST. CHAD'S (R.C.) CATHEDRAL,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

*THOMAS MILLER... .. Treble	*FRANK W. PERRENS... .. 5
CHARLES DICKENS... .. 2	†FRANK J. SMALLWOOD... .. 6
JOHN WITHERS... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE... .. 7
GEORGE F. SWANN... .. 4	*PERCY O. LAFLIN... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

\* First peal of Bristol. † First peal in any Surprise method. This is the first peal of Bristol rung in the City of Birmingham.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

KEMPSTON.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Kent Delight, Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, London Scholar's Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 19 cwt.

* RICHARD KENDALL ... .. Treble	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 4
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 2	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... .. 5
HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 3	SEARLE JENKIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

\* First peal.

HIGH HALDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob each called differently. Tenor 13½ cwt.

HENRY G. CASTLE ... .. Treble	FREDK. S. MACEY ... .. 4
CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 2	FREDK. A. FAIRBEARD ... .. 5
CHARLES W. PLAYER ... .. 3	STANLEY G. WHITE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by S. G. WHITE.

This is the first peal on the bells since the new treble has been added, and it is believed to be the first peal ever rung in this tower.

EPPING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Norwich, Ipswich, Cambridge, London, Wells, York and Durham. Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE A. BLACK ... .. Treble	* EDWARD SMITH ... .. 4
WILLIAM THEOBALD ... .. 2	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
JOHN MOULE ... .. 3	EDGAR WIGHTMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM MILLER.

This was the first peal on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Edgar Wightman. All the band are also Royal Cumberland Youths. \* First peal.

COGENHOE, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

ROBERT F. TURNER ... .. Treble	JAMES M. NICKERSON ... .. 4
WALTER PERKINS ... .. 2	FRED WILFORD ... .. 5
THOMAS LAW ... .. 3	FRED HOPPER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRED HOPPER.

Rung on the eve of the Festival of St. Mark. This is the first officers' peal for the above Association, it having been rung by the president, general secretary and the four district secretaries.

LAMBERHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

ARTHUR H. SMITH ... .. Treble	HARRY PRICE ... .. 4
ANDREW MARSHALL ... .. 2	GEORGE FULLER ... .. 5
FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN... .. 3	ALBERT RELFE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

Rung as a welcome home to Andrew Marshall.

WESTON UNDERWOOD, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Violet, New London Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholar's Pleasure, College Pleasure, Oxford and Kent.

B. FISHER ... .. Treble	J. LOVELL ... .. 4
E. G. MYNARD ... .. 2	W. FREEMAN ... .. 5
F. J. MYNARD ... .. 3	E. S. MYNARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. J. MYNARD.

First peal on the bells.

PENWORTHAM, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(PRESTON BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, April 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's of Oxford and four 720's of Kent Treble Bob each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt.

H. S. ROBINSON ... .. Treble	J. R. TAYLOR ... .. 4
J. BURGESS ... .. 2	V. MARTIN ... .. 5
W. TAYLOR ... .. 3	J. GORNALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. TAYLOR.

First peal on the bells by a local band, and first peal by the ringers of the treble, 2nd and 5th.

KIRKBY MALLORY, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 different six-scores. Tenor approximately 8 cwt.

* GEORGE W. H. BAKIN ... Treble	CHARLES ALLSOP ... .. 3
HORACE O. OVER ... .. 2	FREDERICK J. BOWLEY ... .. 4
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal on the bells, which have recently been augmented from 3 to 5 as a memorial to the parishioners who fell in the war. \* First peal.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, April 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE KING EDWARD VI. GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

* LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 1—2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3—4	* GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7—8

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

\* First peal of Major in hand. This is the first peal of Major in hand by the above Society. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Jutson, of Peterborough.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

IN THE VESTRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 1—2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5—6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 3—4	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 7—8
FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 9—10	

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to A. F. Bailey.

### SHEFFIELD AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. ANNUAL MEETING AT CHESTERFIELD.

The annual meeting of the Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society was held at Chesterfield on Saturday, May 1st, upwards of fifty members being present from 19 towers, viz.: Bolsover, Chesterfield, Darley Dale, Derby, Dore, Ecclesfield, Eekington, Ilkeston, Killamarsh, Mansfield Woodhouse, Norton, Rawmarsh, Rotherham, Rannmoor, Sheffield (All Saints' and Cathedral), Staveley, Worksop and Wortley. During the afternoon and evening a considerable amount of ringing was done in a great variety of methods, including Little Bob, Plain Bob and Treble Bob Royal, Grandsire, Stedman and Erin Caters, London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise, Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Double Norwich Major, as well as Triples and Minor. A short service was held in church, conducted by Canon Shaw (Vicar), who gave a brief address based on the words, 'Therefore will I praise Thee . . . playing upon an instrument of music' (Psalm lxxi. 20).

Ten was partaken of in the Church Room, followed by the business meeting, Canon Shaw being in the chair. The balance sheet showed a slight loss on the year's working, owing mainly to some non-recurring expenditure. The bank interest, however, more than covered the loss, there remaining in the bank rather more than £15.

The hon. secretary's report showed an increase in membership of 19 during the year, the number of towers in union being 23. The number of peals rung during the year was 15, a considerable increase over the years of war ravage.

Mr. J. P. Tarlton was re-elected president; Mr. A. Knights and Mr. J. Holman, vice-presidents; Mr. J. E. L. Cockey was elected hon. treasurer; Mr. J. Flint was elected auditor, vice Mr. G. W. Bemrose; and Mr. S. Thomas was re-elected hon. secretary.—A vote of thanks to the chairman closed the business.

Everything seems to be getting into going order again, a quiet confidence in the future of the society being the keynote of the meeting, and when the best part of a score methods have been rung at one meeting it augurs well for a bright future.

### ANOTHER 'CASTLE.'

A 720 of No. 22 of the 3rd's Place Delights, from the collection of Legitimate Methods, was rung at Poynton Church, on Saturday, Mar 27th, by: D. Wilde 1, A. E. Marshall 2, H. Bardsley 3, Rev. A. T. Beeson (conductor) 4, W. Wilde 5, J. Hickingbottom 6. If the above has not been rung previously the band wish it to be called 'Leasowe Castle.'

### HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. A RINGING MASTER TO BE APPOINTED.

Another very successful meeting was held at Marden, on Saturday, May 1st, when about 36 members were present from Allensmore, Burghill, Marden, Moreton-on-Lugg, Kingstone, Madley, Bredenbury, Pipe and Lyde, Wellington, Stoke Edith and Hereford towers. Twelve new members were elected, bringing the total of the Hereford district to 114 active and 14 honorary members. Tea was provided at the Vicarage. Mrs. Rowlands kindly undertook the catering, as no one in the village would do so, and the thanks of the members are due to her for the excellent spread.

The Vicar presided at the business meeting, when the secretary reported excellent progress of the district.

A motion was unanimously carried that in future all members must pay 6d. towards the cost of tea at the meetings.

The Secretary, Mr. C. Edwards, informed the members that at the Central Committee meeting, held in Hereford on April 29th, it was decided to hold the annual festival at Leominster on Saturday, June 19th, and that they were faced with the obligation of finding a new secretary in place of the Rev. J. S. Roper, resigned. Also that there would be an extra official of the Guild appointed, viz., a real live Ringing Master for the whole of the Guild.

During the afternoon and evening the fine peal of six were kept going, chiefly in instruction to beginners. Several members visited Moreton-on-Lugg, to ring on the light peal of six (7 cwt. tenor). This is a peculiar circle as the third rope hangs in the centre of the ringing chamber, but with a good band it was thought possible to get a peal of Minor there sometime shortly. Mr. J. H. Shepherd looked in here during the afternoon, and his presence was welcomed.

### IN AN AEROPLANE.

At the R.A.F. Cadet College, Cranwell, on Sunday, April 25th, 168 Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells by Miss K. A. Jutson, R. Richardson, F. A. Holden and H. R. Richardson, in the fuselage of a super Handley-Page, the machine being on the ground. One wonders if this is the first touch in an aeroplane. Afterwards, in the sergeants' mess, much to the delight of the many listeners, the above rang 364 of Grandsire Triples.

During 1918 one of the before-mentioned band smuggled another of the same quartet into camp on three occasions, and with the help of two other ringers (S. Bragg and S. Riddell, now demobilised) were keen on ringing a touch in the air; the weather however, proved a disappointment on each occasion. Then the glorious peace prospects came along, and so damped the arrangements.

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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

The Dean and Chapter of Llandaff Cathedral have gladly and willingly agreed to the proposal to place in the Cathedral a tablet to those members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association who gave their lives in the great war. The order has been placed, and the work is in hand. It is to be of Hoptonwood stone.

A victory peal of six bells has been placed in the Church of Holy Trinity, Capenhurst, Cheshire. They were cast and hung by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, the tenor being about 13 cwt.

Mr. John Thornton Rickman, M.A. the new Master of the Sussex County Association, is an enthusiastic ringer, who began his ringing career, we believe, with Cambridge University Guild.

He was the donor of the peal of ten, erected just before the war at St. Peter's, Brighton and some years previously, in conjunction with his revered mother added two trebles to the ring of eight at Southover, Lewes.

Mr. H. B. Tompkins, whom Mr. Rickman succeeds, has had a long official connection with the Sussex Association, first as hon. treasurer, and for many years as Master.

The peal at St. John de Sepulchre's, Norwich, recorded last week was rung in 2 hrs. 56 mins., and not in four minutes under four hours as printed.

A few Yorkshiremen intend being in Northampton for the week-end, and will be pleased to see friends.

### A BUSY FOUNDRY.

Among the orders which Messrs. Gillett and Johnston have in hand are the following:—

Royal Exchange.—The heavy peal of 13 to recast.

Rochester Cathedral.—New trebles to be added to make a ring of 10.

Carrickfergus, Ireland.—New ring of 8, now awaiting the completion of the tower.

Carlton, Beds.—The ring of 4 to be rehung, etc.

Tidebrook Place, Sussex.—New chime of bells.

Blendworth, Hants.—New chime of bells.

Canonbury, St. Paul's.—New chime of six bells.

Easthope, Much Wenlock, Salop.—Chime of five bells.

### SALISBURY GUILD MEMBERS' WAR SERVICE.

#### A MAGNIFICENT RECORD.

In the annual report of the Hon. Secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, the Rev. F. Ll. Edwards writes: One feature in this report should ever be enshrined as a proud and glorious memory in the traditions of our Guild. We publish this year the final edition of our roll of honour. Our normal membership numbers a little under 750. No less than 525 of our ringers responded to the country's call to arms—the great majority of these in the days of voluntary enlistment. Fifty-six of that number gave their lives in the great cause. The six-bell tower of Lychett Minster contributed twenty men to the King's forces. We wonder whether any association in the kingdom can show a finer record. As long as the church in this diocese is served by laymen with such a splendid spirit of devotion to duty she may face all the difficulties of these anxious days with triumphant confidence.

In accordance with the resolution passed at the last annual meeting, muffled ringing took place at Dorchester, Devizes and Salisbury, in memory of those members of our Guild who made the supreme sacrifice in the service of our King and country. Our Diocesan Memorial has been left in the hands of a committee who are in consultation with the Bishop on the subject. But the grandest and most worthy memorial of all will be that of the living hand week by week, if we succeed in restoring to this Diocese, the ancient Peace Bell as a perpetual tribute to the fallen and a solemn call to duty.

### AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP.

#### RESTORATION OF EAST ILSLEY BELLS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—At a parish meeting in this village of the Berkshire Downs some time ago it was decided to add a bell to the existing peal of five, in memory of 22 gallant lads of the village who gave their lives in the great war. (The total population in 1914 was 475 souls, of whom 122 served with the colours.) The amount required for this purpose was raised in the place, which is a very poor parish, and then the real trouble began. The firms who were called in to give an estimate are unanimous in their verdict that nothing can be done until the old frame, floor and supporting beams are cleared out and replaced by new. This meant a further £350. The greater part of this money has been subscribed. The Rector (the Rev. Canon Whitham) has asked me as a ringer, and as a native of the village, to help them in any way I can, and through the generosity of friends I have sent them upwards of £80. Now, will the ringers of England—or rather Great Britain—help us a bit further and enable us to complete the octave?

If a hundred ringers would raise a 'Bradbury' each and send me it would go a long way towards completing the job. How much could the members of the Central Council send from Northampton? (Several of them have given me a good lift.) Now please don't read this and forget it, but help me get it done. I will promise to show a clean balance sheet at the end.

R. T. HIBBERT.

Warren House Lodge, St. Peter's Avenue, Caversham.



## TUNING OF CHURCH BELLS.

### MR. C. F. JOHNSTON'S CHALLENGE.

In a recent issue of the 'Sunday Times,' a correspondent writing upon the tuning of church bells, complained that peals tuned on the Simpson five-tone principle have a dirge-like, mournful howl with them when being rung in peal, while the old tuned rings have a bright, cheerful effect. The only reason I can find for this effect, which is agreed to by the majority of ringers with whom I have come in contact, says the writer, 'is that Simpson-tuned peals consist of a succession of octaves and fifths in harmonies which, as every young student of music knows is against the first laws of harmony whereas the old tuned peals, with their strike notes and sevenths (instead of the octave) give the effect of an incomplete cadence, and so brighten the sound of the bells when rung in peal.'

Mr. Cyril F. Johnston, of the Croydon Bell Foundry, has taken up the cudgels on behalf of those who stand by the Simpson principle, and makes a sporting offer. Writing to the 'Sunday Times,' he says:—

Sir,—A letter recently appeared in your paper from a bell ringer denouncing the improved method of tuning bells. I do not know if he speaks as a musician and a bell ringer, or as a bell ringer only—it is possible to be one without the other. At any rate it is hard to believe that a bell is more pleasing to the ear if its hum-note (or octave below the strike-note) is at the interval of a seventh below—in preference to an octave below. My advice to any of your readers who are interested is to 'Try it on your piano.'

My reply to the writer of the article referred to is by way of a challenge, (1) Will he disclose his identity? (2) Will he meet a representative assembly of accredited musicians at our foundry to hear a famous London peal of bells after completion—which is about to be recast, so as to be tuned scientifically? I would arrange to have bells with 'sevenths' instead of 'octaves' side by side with the recast peal (which will have 'octaves') and if the company assembled agree with our critic and prefer the bells tuned in the old way I will pay £50 to some charity to be agreed upon.

CYRIL F. JOHNSTON (of Gillett and Johnston).

Bell Foundry and Clock Factory.

Croydon, May 4th.

## DEATH OF MR. DAVID BREARLEY.

### SHEFFIELD DISTRICT LOSES A PIONEER.

A great blow, by the hand of death, was inflicted on the Exercise generally, and on the Sheffield area particularly, by the death of David Brearley, who succumbed to a sharp attack of pneumonia on Palm Sunday. He was at the weekly practice at Bolsterstone on the Tuesday, and about his business on the Wednesday before his death.

Born at Bradfield on the 13th April, 1855, Mr. Brearley first came into touch with ringing on the six bells in the church there, but his ringing as well as his business life was centred at Bolsterstone, where he worked hard to get the present peal of eight installed in the year 1892, and where he raised and taught a band to ring them, and kept a company together when the difficulties were great, the encouragement of those in office non-existent and the raw material hard to get hold of. But he stuck it; he climbed the hill from Deepcar, Sunday and practice night, stormy or fair, out of sheer love of the art, and now has left it, full of a right spirit, and his memory will not be effaced during the lives of the youngest of his pupils whose respect for him amounted to affection.

Mr. Brearley's activities were by no means confined to Bolsterstone, he being one of the band who determined to raise the practical standard of ringing in the neighbourhood, and entered into method ringing with all his energy with what success his peal record amply demonstrates. His peal book contains over 190 peals, of which some 30 were in the Surprise Methods (London, Cambridge, Yorkshire Peterborough and Superlative), and a good number of Double Norwich Major and Royal. He also took part in a 10,484 of Bob Major and 11,232 of Kent Treble Bob.

As a builder and contractor he was widely known and highly respected. In the year 1902 he was placed head of the poll for the Urban District Council, polling 50 per cent. more votes than the second. Taking a full share of committee work, as well as duties of chairman, magistrate, etc., his business abilities found full scope and his nature was unspoiled by success. He was the same David Brearley in 1920 as when the writer rang his first peal with him in 1890.

He was laid to rest in Bolsterstone Churchyard, the whole countryside being present to pay their last tribute, the church being crowded. The Vicar (the Rev. F. M. Brooks) officiated, and the organist and choir were in attendance. The muffled bells added their plaintive tones to the last sad rites, and a course of Grandsire Triples was rung over the open grave after the committal.

A muffled peal was attempted during the evening, but was lost, a quarter-peal being accomplished under the conductorship of Mr. George Lewis. A muffled peal of Superlative was rung at Norton by some of those who had rung many good peals with him, and one of Treble Bob was later rung on his own peal by a majority of his pupils.

So we leave him to a well-earned rest. Men of his class are hard to replace.

S. T.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

### GUESTS OF THE BISHOP.

When a few weeks ago the Bishop expressed a wish to entertain the Salisbury Diocesan Guild in the Palace Grounds at Salisbury it was felt that such an honour was one which would justify the management committee in arranging to hold the annual meeting in the city. This meeting, which took place on Saturday, May 8th, will indeed pass down to history as a veritable 'red-letter' day. By train, cycle and motors of various sizes and degrees of comfort, the members arrived in the mother city, some undertaking a journey of over 60 miles in order to be present, for this huge diocese, badly served by railways, is upwards of 100 miles between its extreme points. However, obstacles only exist in order that man's ingenuity may overcome them, and overcome them they did to a remarkable degree, for nearly 400 were present at one time during the afternoon.

The new president, the Earl of Shaftesbury, took the chair at the business meeting held in the Church House, and a capital chairman he made. In thanking the members for his election he made an excellent speech on the uses of bells and the impressions they left on the mind of the average man. He surprised not a few by the information of the difficulties he himself had experienced when endeavouring to overcome what he termed the 'wild, wilful, wayward action of a bell' when in the hands of a novice, and the ease with which it can be manipulated by the qualified ringer. He strongly urged all to work till every tower in the diocese was affiliated to the Guild. Alluding to the publication in the report of the final roll of honour and roll of service, he stated that to be president of a guild of between seven and eight hundred members, of whom no less than five hundred and twenty-five had joined some branch of H.M. forces—the greater part of them voluntarily—was an honour anyone might be proud of, and one for which words seemed altogether inadequate to express the feelings while to the memory of the fifty-six who had given their lives he paid a most eloquent and sympathetic tribute.

The officers, with very slight alterations, were re-elected, and the Master (Major Hughes D'Aeth), in replying on their behalf, gave some good advice to the ringers on the necessity of combined practices for higher methods, open leads, and improved striking. These remarks were given in such an earnest, homely manner that they went right home, and doubtless improvement will result. He apologised for the fact that the finest peal of eight in the city was unavailable, and remarked that the very tradesmen who offered objection to their being rung were those who were benefiting by the visit of 400 people to the city that day. Again his remarks went 'home,' for, before the meeting was closed, word was passed round that St. Thomas' bells would be available from 2.30 till 5.30.

The suggested alteration to rule 2 brought forth a lengthy discussion, and it was left to the officers to re-draft this rule according to the wishes of the members.

Then came the Guild service in the Cathedral. And what a service it was! One of those services which so beautifully splendid in its dignity and simplicity, most assuredly left its mark on many a ringer whose home is in some remote village of old Wessex. As the ringers took their seats Dr. Alcock gave an exhibition of his skill on the organ. Then came the procession of choir and clergy. How many ringers' Guilds have ever been so fortunate to have assembled for their benefit, a Bishop, two Archdeacons, Canons, both residentiary and honorary, the Chancellor of the Cathedral, the Precentor, and clergy holding less important posts? Yet such was the procession which the ringers rose to meet.

In the main, the Guild's service was incorporated with ordinary evensong. The first lesson was read by the Earl of Shaftesbury, and the second by Archdeacon Carpenter. Besides three hymns from the service, the choir gave a beautiful rendering of one of S. Wesley's anthems, which was listened to with rapt admiration.

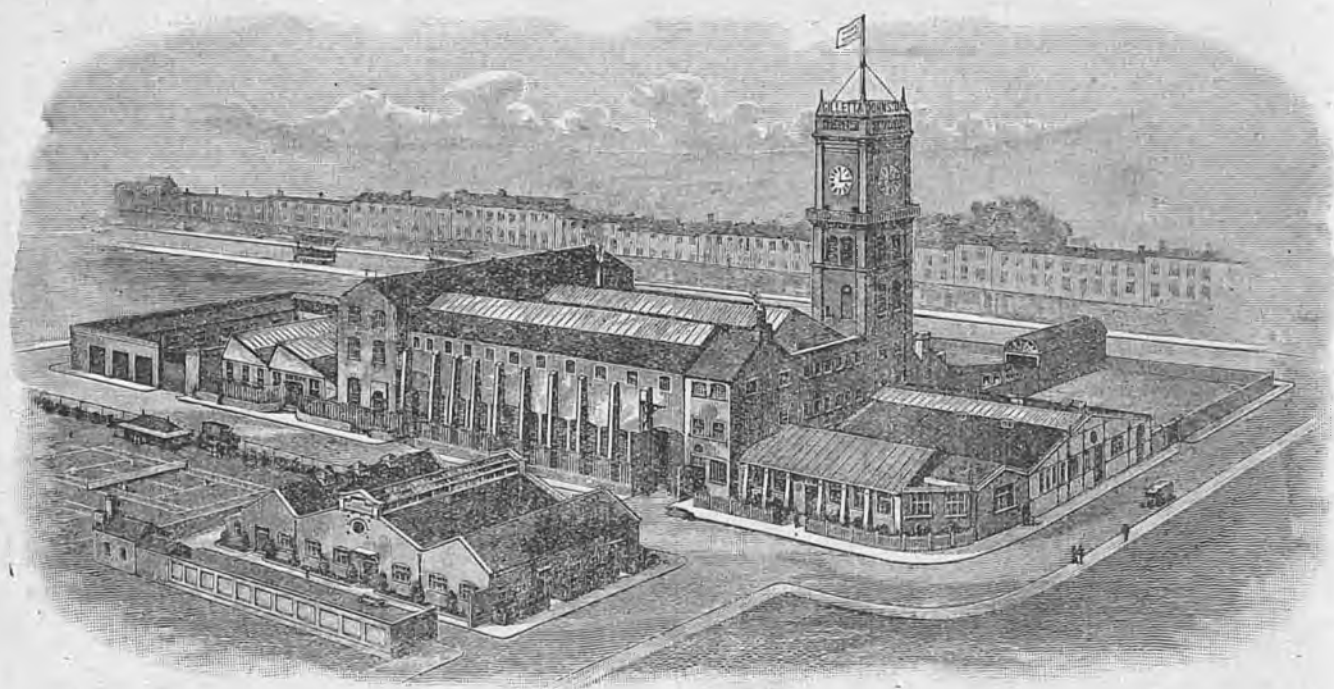
Then came the sermon by the Bishop. He prefaced his discourse by remarking that owing to the threatening nature of the weather he had deemed it wise to have tea in the Church House, but trusted the ringers would make full use of the Palace Grounds. Basing his sermon on the text, 'I magnify my office,' he preached a most helpful discourse pointing out that in many ways people nowadays were anxious to magnify themselves rather than the office or place they filled in the world. The one was pure selfishness, while the other showed such a love for the thing they undertook that all ideas of self were effaced, and only the matter in hand or the interests of those who assisted to carry out such matter were thought of. These lessons he brought home to his hearers in many ways, not the least being the way in which such lessons were especially applicable to ringers.

The service over, most of the visitors wended their way back to the Church House for tea and a chat, others to ring—but what are four peals amongst so many ringers?—others on sight-seeing bent, and so the party gradually broke up. The weather, though dull, fortunately kept fine all day.

Ringings on such days as these cannot by any stretch of imagination be called 'great,' but the opportunity of meeting widely separated ringing friends is so very great that these big gatherings are quite justified. It was in this way that the ringers, by visiting Salisbury, took their share in the 700th anniversary of the founding of the present Cathedral.

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Third Session of the Tenth Council (28th annual meeting) will be held by kind permission of the Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor F. Kilby, Esq.) and the Corporation, in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall, St. Giles' Square, Northampton, on Whitsun Tuesday, May 25th, 1920, at 11 o'clock punctually.

The morning sitting will be adjourned from 1 p.m. till 2.30 p.m., from which time the Council will sit, if necessary, until 5.30 p.m.

The Standing Committee will meet previously at 9.45 a.m. in the same Chamber.

### AGENDA, 1920.

1. Minutes of last meeting.
2. Roll of Honour.
3. Apologies for Absence.
4. Statement of Accounts and of Sale of Publications.
5. Election of Honorary Members.
6. Introduction of New Members to the President.
7. To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees:
  - (a) Standing Committee.
  - (b) Peal Collection.
  - (c) Literature and Press.
  - (d) Methods.
  - (e) Peals Analysis.
  - (f) Towers and Belfries.
  - (g) Bells of Belgium.
8. To consider the following:
 

That the Council compile and keep up to date an official list of the first peal and longest peal rung in each method, and on each number of bells.
9. To consider the question of the term 'Surprise Method' and, if thought advisable, to move a resolution.
10. That the Central Council take steps to approach the authorities of the Victoria and Albert Science and Art Museum with a view to the possibility of obtaining from them the allotment of a suitable space for the exhibition in London of bells, models, papers, drawings, etc., illustrative of Campanology as a science and art.
11. That arrangements be made for the Council to hold its annual meeting on the Tuesday after the first Sunday after Trinity.
12. Votes of thanks.
13. Other business, if any.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, Hon. Secretary.

The following arrangements have been made for ringing before and after the Council Meeting:—

Whitsun Day.—Ringing at all the Churches at 10 a.m. and at 5.30 p.m.

Saturday (Whitsun Eve.) and Wednesday, 26th, peals can be arranged on those days (and possibly also on Whitsun Monday morning), at Kettering, Irthlingborough, Pinedon, Higham Ferrers, and Raunds (all eight bells) and at Cooknoe and Duston (six bells).

The Central Northants Association most kindly invite members of Council to tea in St. Giles' Church Buildings, St. Giles' Street, on Tuesday, at 5.30 p.m.

After tea, the ring of ten at St. Giles' and of eight at St. Edmund's will be available.

The evening gathering will take place at 8.30 p.m. at the Grand Hotel in Gold Street.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

### PROTEST AGAINST DEMOLITION OF CITY CHURCHES.

A meeting of the Southern District was held on Saturday last at Kingston-on-Thames, and about 40 members from all parts of London were present at this pleasant Thames resort. The ten bells of All Saints' Church started just after 4 p.m. to Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Ten and Cambridge Surprise, and the 'go' of the bells was found to be excellent. The business meeting was held in the Vestry, when a strong resolution protesting against the proposed demolition of famous city churches was passed.—A vote of thanks was unanimously accorded to the Rector for his kind permission for the use of the bells, and to Mr. J. Howes for having the tower and bells in readiness.

At All Saints' Church, Waltham-on-Avon, on Saturday, May 1st, a date touch consisting of 240 each of the following eight methods:—London Scholars' Pleasure, Royston Delight, College Pleasure, Arnold's Victory, Duke of York, New London Pleasure, Oxford and Violet, by: C. Walsh 1, J. Panther 2, A. Panther (conductor) 3, H. Chamberlin 4, W. Woodcock 5, A. Gill 6; also 240 each of two new methods composed by A. Panther, namely Walth Exercise and Campanula: H. Chamberlin 1, A. Gill 2, W. Woodcock 3, T. Bilton 4, A. Panther (conductor) 5, C. Walsh 6.

## NOTICES.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—(Estab. 1637.)—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on May 27th; Southwark Cathedral on the 25th; all at 7.30 p.m.—William T. Cock-erill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—A meeting will be held at Knebworth on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells available after 3 p.m.—F. R. Bacon, District Secretary, West Hill, Hitchin.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ottershaw on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.—G. Miles, District Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley, Surrey.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Northampton on Whit-Monday, May 24th. Ringing at all the churches, including Kingsthorpe, from 10 o'clock. Service in All Saints' Church at 12 noon. It is also intended to unveil War Memorial tablet in All Saints' Church if possible. Meat tea in St. Giles' Church buildings at 3.30 p.m. (1/6 each), meeting to follow.—Fred Wilford, General Sec., 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Prestegyn and Leominster District.—The annual meeting will be held at Kingston on Saturday, May 15th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service at 5, with an address by the Rev. H. E. H. Probyn. Tea at 5.45, business meeting to follow.—A. Talbot, District Sec., Staunton-on-Harrow, Herefordshire.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Ramsbottom on Saturday, May 22nd. Bells ready at 4.30. Meeting at 7. Subscriptions due, reports to hand.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—A general meeting will be held at Great Yarmouth on Whit-Monday, May 24th. The ring of 12 bells at the Parish Church, and also the ring of 6 bells at Gorleston, will be available for the use of ringers. Business meeting at the Priory Hall at 11.30 o'clock, to elect officers and committee for the Norwich branch. It is proposed that after the business meeting members should adjourn to Goole's Hotel and Assembly Rooms, Marine Parade, for dinner.—Albert L. Coleman, High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting at Colchester on Whit Monday, May 24th. Short service at St. Peter's at 3.30 p.m., address by the Rev. T. Evans, M.A., Rector of St. Giles. The meeting in Crispin Court, Old Schoolroom, North Hill, at 4.15 p.m. Tea, 5.30 p.m., at St. Peter's Parish Room. Towers open all day, St. Peter's (8 bells), All Saints' (5), Great Horkesley (6).—C. H. Howard (Master), H. T. W. Eyre (Hon. Sec.), The Temples, Witham.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—An ordinary meeting will be held at Lutton St. Nicholas on Whit Monday, May 24th. Divine Service will be held at 3.30 p.m. Dinner in the Coronation Hall at 1 o'clock; tickets 2/6 each. Tea provided free.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Secretary, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—Annual meeting Whit-Monday, May 24th, 1920, at Exeter, ser-



vice St. Sidwell's 3.30. Tea (1s.) and meeting St. Sidwell's Institute, 4.15. — E. S. Powell, Hon. Sec., Holbeton, Plymouth.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Ipswich Branch.—A meeting will be held on Whit-Monday, May 24th. Bells at Coddham available after 11 a.m., Henley all day. Business meeting at Henley 3 p.m. Members attending must make their own arrangements for luncheon, as it has been found impossible to cater for same.—E. Evans, Hon. Branch Secretary, 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting at Stockton-on-Tees on Whit-Monday, May 24th, 1920. Committee meeting at 11 a.m. Short service and address at 12 by the Rev. E. A. Douglas, M.A., Vicar of Stockton. Lunch at the Spread Eagle Hotel, Dovecourt Street, Stockton, at 1 p.m. Those intending to be at the lunch (3s. per head) must notify the hon. secretary not later than Tuesday, May 18.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Secretary, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Cliffe on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3. Short service at 5, conducted by the Rector (Rev. A. T. Wallis). Tea at 5.30 at The Six Bells, followed by business meeting. Tea, 1s. 6d. per head, can only be supplied to those who notify me by first post Tuesday, May 25th. Half rail fares up to 2s. will be paid. Bus leaves Chatham for Cliffe at 4. Train from Gravesend 2.35.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Secretary, 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Brecon District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Builth Wells on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (6) ready 3 p.m. Tea 5.30, advise me by 25th. — J. P. Hyett, District Secretary, Dulas Terrace, Hay.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Guiseley on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. — Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Appledore on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3 o'clock.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Secretary, British School Villas, Tenterden.

**HERTS ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Watford on Saturday, May 29th, 1920. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea in St. Mary's Hall, at 5.30, at a moderate charge, followed by short business meeting. All friends welcome.—H. Eden, 11, Pinner Road, Oxhey, Watford; F. A. Smith, Hon. District Secretaries.

**THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The next quarterly meeting of this Guild will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 4.30. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than 25th. It is hoped that every member will make a special effort to attend this meeting, which is most important.—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**OXFORD GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Members and friends are invited to attend a gathering at Chalfont St. Peter on Saturday, May 29th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Evensong, with an address by the Rev. Canon Coleridge, at 3.45. Tea by invitation 4.30. To facilitate arrangements kindly send a card to Mr. J. Stone,

Beaumont House, Orchard Grove, Chalfont St. Peter, by May 22nd.—G. H. Gutteridge, Ivor Heath, Uxbridge.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Leek on Saturday, June 5th. Please notify me on or before May 28th how many intend to be present from your tower. Business: Division of Association; War Memorial.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Westhoughton on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m. —Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Chipping on June 5th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. Tea will be arranged at a nominal charge.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Wootton Bassett on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (8) available 2 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—H. W. Bishop, Hon. Sec., Church View, Wanboro, Swindon.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Shenley on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. at Shenley (6) and Loughton (6). Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than May 29th?—W. Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at Chiddingfold (Witley Station) on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Guild Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. All ringers heartily welcomed. Please notify for tea before June 1st.—Mrs. Hazelden, Hon. Sec., Joseph's Road, Guildford.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—All Saints' Church, High Wycombe.—A cordial invitation is extended to ringers to a Ringing Festival on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (12) available from 2.30 to 4.15 and 7 to 9. Service at 4.45, with sermon by Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop of Buckingham. Tea at the Church House at 5.30, to ringers who notify not later than June 10th, R. Coles, foreman, Priory Road, or George Twitche, Hon. Sec., 17, Totteridge Road, Wycombe. Rev. F. Merivale Molyneux, the recently-appointed Vicar, will preside.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on June, 12th at St. Albans, Rochdale. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The summer Quarterly meeting will be held at Loughborough on July 3rd. All Saints' (10), Stanford (8) and Foundry (8) bells available. See later notices.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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**SURPRISE METHODS.***To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—In view of the Central Council meeting on Whit-Tuesday, and of item 9 on the agenda, I should be glad if you can find space for this letter re the definition for a Surprise Method.

If we examine any Major method with Plain Bob coursing order we shall find as lead ends the following simple transposition rows, but not necessarily in the order here given:—

12436587  
14628375  
16847253  
18765432  
17583624  
15372846  
13254768

The proving value and the face value of each separate row are identical, and it would be instructive to learn the true reason why it is suggested that any one of the last six rows may be used for the first lead end of a Surprise Method, but not the first row.

It will be obvious to everyone that second's place could not be made at the end of first leads when the simple transposition row is 12436587, otherwise rounds would turn up; it is equally obvious that when the simple transposition row at first lead end is 13254768 there is no alternative but to make second's place if a method is to be obtained. Either of the remaining five rows can be used as first lead end, with or without second's place, but they are still simple transposition rows just as much as the two first mentioned.

It should be understood by everyone that 7th's or 2nd's place next the treble, or any other bell, does not alter the coursing order of the bells, but on the other hand every other internal place is a bob pure and simple, and the coursing order is altered according to the bob or bobs used.

A brief consideration of these facts by those interested will, I think, be quite sufficient to upset any attempt to tamper with the definition for a Surprise Method that has now been recognised for a number of years.—Yours faithfully,  
GEORGE BAKER.

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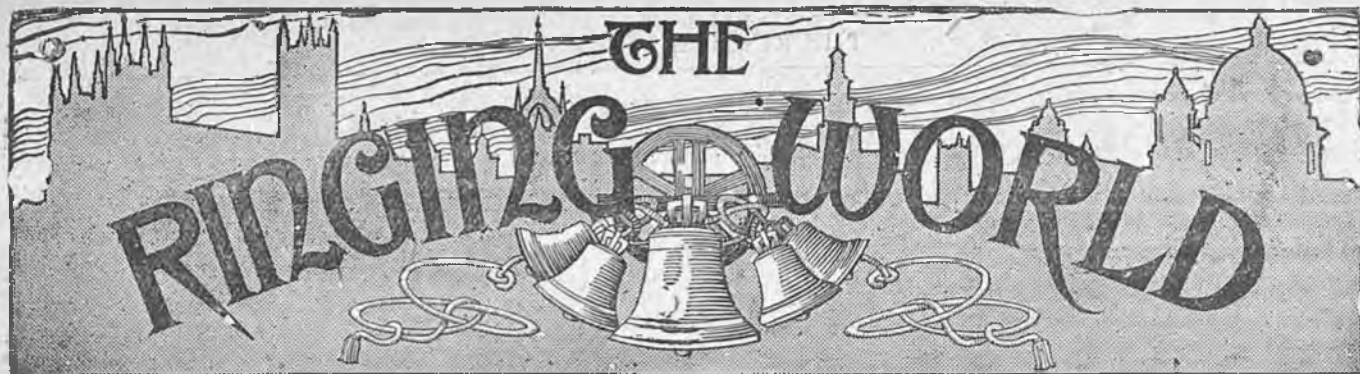
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### THE SIX-BELL TOWERS.

The plea of the Master of the Salisbury Guild, in the recently published Report, that six-bell towers in the Diocese should make fuller use of the opportunities of change ringing, by practising Minor methods, is one which may well be extended to towers beyond the counties of Wilts and Dorset. The six-bell towers form a large proportion of the belfries of the country, and of numerous societies, as in the case of the Salisbury Guild, comprise more than half the branches. Yet it is unfortunately only too true that, for the number of towers concerned, there is not the same enterprise shown in change ringing in these as there is in the belfries possessing a higher number of bells.

There must be a reason for this. It cannot be that there is lack of variety open to those who would practise the art, for there are a greater number of methods rung on six bells, probably, than on any other number, and when the fascination of ringing the extents in the scores of methods that can be rung has paled, then ringers have open to them the further field of spliced extents, which adds not only interest, but extended scope, to the opportunities of the six-bell ringer. It is not, either, entirely the fault of the men of the six-bell towers. To be frank, we believe a good deal of the absence of change ringing, or of progress in change ringing, at these belfries, is to be found in the attitude of Associations. The members of six-bell towers are welcomed to the fold of the Associations; they are given encouragement to practise on eight and ten bells if they choose; but how many of the county and diocesan organisations make a point of really going to the aid of their six-bell brethren and helping them to become masters of the art of Minor ringing? Indeed, how many of the men who practise regularly in the eight, ten and twelve bell towers actually trouble anything at all about six-bell ringing, except, perhaps, when on an occasional visit to a six-bell tower, they will ring the Minor variation of some method which they have practised on the higher numbers?

Generally, the six-bell ringers are left to shift very much for themselves, and the progress which they make is usually the result of their own efforts to advance. There is plenty of room for Associations to develop their work among the six-bell towers, and they would find it useful ground for the development of the art. When it is remembered that probably fifty per cent. at least of towers in the average county are belfries with only six bells, it will be realised what the possibilities are; but they will not be fully utilised until the Associations come down to the six-bell towers, instead of waiting for the Minor men to

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come to the towers with higher numbers. Minor ringing is as much a part of the art as is the ringing of Major or Cinques, but it is a sphere in which comparatively very little practical encouragement is given by most of the Associations.

### TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Four Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT ST. SAVIOUR'S CATHEDRAL, SOUTHWARK,

A PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS. 5016 CHANCES;

Tenor 50 cwt.

REGINALD R. MARSHALL ... Treble	RICHARD BEVAN ... 7
ARTHUR N. HARDY ... 2	WILLIAM SHIMMANS ... 8
JOHN D. MATTHEWS ... 3	GEORGE CARD ... 9
THOMAS NEWMAN ... 4	WILLIAM BERRY ... 10
JOHN W. CORNFORD ... 5	EDGAR WIGHTMAN ... 11
ARTHUR J. NEALE ... 6	WALTER AYRE ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.

First peal on 12 by ringers of 1, 5 and 12, and first peal in the method by all except 3 and 4. The ringer of the treble is 16 years of age only.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BROMLEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 15 cwt.

T. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... Treble	*GEORGE F. JAMES ... 5
GEORGE DURLING ... 2	ARTHUR MASON ... 6
*PERCY J. SPICE ... 3	ISAAC EMERY ... 7
HERBERT J. SKELT ... 4	WILLIAM LYDDIARD ... Tenor

Conducted by ISAAC EMERY.

\* First peal of Stedman.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, April 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

*WILLIAM J. RYVES ... Treble	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 5
WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... 2	ALFRED MEARS ... 6
WILLIAM STOREY ... 3	*ANDREW MEARS ... 7
*D. C. WILLIAMS, F.R.C.O. 4	CAPT. J. R. MACKMAN ... Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Double Norwich.

SALTBURN-BY-THE-SEA.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLI'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 23 cwt.

*GERALD DUNCAN ... Treble	JOHN G. HALL ... 5
*ROBERT LAUGHTON ... 2	JOHN HEDGEWOOD ... 6
*JOHN APPLETON ... 3	THOMAS METCALFE ... 7
WILLIAM BROADLEY ... 4	THOMAS LEYBORNE ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT LAUGHTON.

First attempt as conductor in any method. \* First peal in the method.

MANCHESTER.—On Wednesday, March 10th, 1920 at the Town Hall, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1259 changes): J. W. Washbrook, senr., 1, J. W. Washbrook, junr., 2, W. Wolstencroft 3, W. H. Shaker 4, F. Page 5, A. A. Hughes 6, W. Cooper 7, H. Chapman 8, R. F. Deal (conductor) 9, A. Trippier 10. Tenor 52 cwt. Mr. A. A. Hughes is from the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, London.



**BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,*  
*At the Parish Church,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 9 cwt.

*WALTER BATTLE ... .. Treble	JAMES MARTIN ... .. 5
JAMES W. BELL ... .. 2	†SYDNEY F. BARNES ... .. 6
EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. 3	HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 7
†THOMAS GILMORE ... .. 4	SAMUEL MORTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman. The ringer of the 2nd was elected a member before starting.

**MARSHAM, NORFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,*  
*At the Church of All Saints,*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb.

WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. Treble	JOHN MOY ... .. 5
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 2	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 6
CHARLES E. NEWLAND ... .. 3	CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 7
ALFRED WATSON ... .. 4	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM E. BASON.

First peal in the method by ringer of the 3rd, and first attempt.

**NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.**

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,*  
*At the Church of St. Andrew,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

ALFRED DAVIES ... .. Treble	CHAS. H. WOODBERRY ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
*AUBREY L. BENNETT ... .. 3	JOHN SMITH ... .. 7
ERNEST BROOKS ... .. 4	HARRY HUBBALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED DAVIES.

\* First peal. Rung after meeting short for Bristol Surprise.

**CONGLETON, CHESHIRE.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,*  
*At the Church of St. Peter,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr.

JAMES W. WASHBROOK ... .. Treble	TITUS BARLOW ... .. 5
GEORGE A. SMITH ... .. 2	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 6
FRED PAGE ... .. 3	RICHARD DEAL ... .. 7
JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN. ... .. 4	AMOS TRIPPIER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the fallen of Congleton, also to the three brothers Washbrook, J. Darlington, Bertram Prewett and Thos. Botterill who had rung peals in this tower. The peal was rung at the invitation of Mr. H. Lawton who afterwards entertained the ringers to tea.

**ROLVENDEN, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

(ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

*On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,*  
*At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt. in F sharp.

†FREDERICK J. JUDGE ... .. Treble	GEORGE BILLENNESS ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... .. 2	*THOMAS HOAD ... .. 6
†FREDERICK G. BURDEN ... .. 3	CHARLES W. PLAYER ... .. 7
FREDERICK S. MACEY ... .. 4	ALFRED BLACKMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

\* Elected a member of the Association prior to starting. † Elected members of the R.M. & D.G. prior to starting. Rung as a wedding peal for Miss Hetty Mary Burden, youngest daughter of Mr. F. G. Burden, and grand-daughter of Mr. Edgar Burden, both Rolvenden ringers. The bridegroom was Mr. Frank Swaffer, 4th son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Swaffer.

**HIGHAM FERRERS.**

**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tuesday, May 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,*  
*At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb. in E flat.

JAMES HOUGHTON ... .. Treble	HENRY BLUNDELL ... .. 5
EDWARD P. DOFFIELD ... .. 2	ALFRED N. WOOD ... .. 6
JAMES GARRATT ... .. 3	WALTER PERKINS ... .. 7
ALFRED H. MARTIN ... .. 4	GEORGE DENNIS DEIGHTON Tenor

Composed by the late THOMAS THURSTANS.

Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

**BRISTOL.**

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

(ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

*On Tuesday, May 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,*  
*At the Church of St. James,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 28 cwt.

WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR WALLACE ... .. 5
EDGAR GUISE ... .. 2	ALFRED PEARCE ... .. 6
GILBERT PEARCE ... .. 3	ARTHUR W. SEVIOUR ... .. 7
CHARLES J. WALTON ... .. 4	HENRY T. WAY ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by EDGAR GUISE.

**LONDON.**

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Wednesday, May 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,*  
*At Christ Church, Cubitt Town,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

CHARLES T. CLARK ... .. Treble	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 5
THOMAS H. HAWKINS ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. 7
HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 4	DALBY HODGSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

Rung as a compliment to the Rev. E. Hartley on his leaving the parish after 17 years as Vicar.

**NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.**

**THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**

(THE NUNEATON SOCIETY.)

*On Thursday, May 6, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,*  
*At the Parish Church of St. Nicholas,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt. in E.

MISS PATTIE CLARKE ... .. Treble	ERNEST STONE ... .. 5
JAMES CLARKE, JUN. ... .. 2	HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 6
JAMES CLARKE, SEN. ... .. 3	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. 7
ROLAND POLLARD ... .. 4	ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH.

Conducted by ABRAHAM WILKERSON.

This composition is now rung for the first time, and has the 6th the full extent at home and the 2nd never there. First peal by Miss Clark and first on the bells by a resident lady ringer. Father, son and daughter took part in this peal, which was rung as a compliment to Miss Clark on attaining her 21st birthday. First peal of Major as conductor.

**BUSHBY, HERTS.**

**THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(THE BUSHEY SOCIETY.)

*On Thursday, May 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,*  
*At the Church of St. James,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S ODD BOB, ONE PART

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... .. Treble	FRANCIS A. SMITH ... .. 5
JOSEPH J. ALLEN ... .. 2	WILLIAM SEELEY ... .. 6
*WILLIAM C. L. PRIOR ... .. 3	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... .. 7
*EDWARD P. ASHBY ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. OAKLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT.

\* First peal of Stedman, great credit being due for the way they rang throughout the peal. Rung on the 10th anniversary of the accession of King George V. All the above are members of the local band.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Woodbine Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

JOHN AVIS ... .. Treble	GEORGE MORRAD ... .. 4
*HARRY ARGENT ... .. 2	FREDERICK HAYES ... .. 5
JOHN BURLS ... .. 3	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL...Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK M. MITCHELL.

\* First peal in seven methods. Birthday peal for the ringer of the 3rd, who thus rung his first peal of Minor since joining the colours in 1914.

PETERBOROUGH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 24 lb.

*C. ERNEST V. WILKINS...Treble	JOHN J. JUTSON ... .. 4
A. ERNEST WILKINS ... .. 2	ARTHUR MACKEARS ... .. 5
KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON...Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Kathleen A. Jutson.

BURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Oxford Delight and two 720's each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

CHARLES ABLITT... .. Treble	*GEORGE M. GREENACRE... .. 4
JOSEPH LAST ... .. 2	GEORGE W. ABLITT... .. 5
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Minor.

SNODLAND, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently.

HUBERT BOORMAN ... .. Treble	TOM SAUNDERS ... .. 4
GEORGE BELL ... .. 2	LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. 5
WILLIAM ELDRIDGE ... .. 3	HARRY BELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM ELDRIDGE.

First peal on the bells, the old five having been retuned, another bell added and the peal rehung in a steel frame. The work has been carried out by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, and the tone and 'go' are splendid.

BURWASH, SUSSEX

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

*ROBERT T. LAMBERT ...Treble	GEORGE FULLER... .. 4
REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... 2	JAMES WAGHORN... .. 5
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT ... 3	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN. ...Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, SEN.

\* First peal. R. E. Lambert's first peal inside.

WALTHAMSTOW.—On Sunday, April 25th, for evensong, at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 47 minutes: H. A. Edwards 1, C. A. Hughes 2, W. J. E. Jones 3, G. W. Cooper 4, E. D. Lillywhite 5, O. L. Twist 6, W. Steed (conductor) 7, J. Coleman 8. First quarter-peal as conductor.

WHITNASH, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... .. Treble	HUBERT SUMMERS ... .. 4
HARRY O. WHITE ... .. 2	CHARLES AYLETT ... .. 5
OSWALD J. HUNT ... .. 3	JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ...Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. W. WHITE.

First peal on the bells. The band desire to thank the Rector for the use of the bells and for his hospitality after the peal.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

In seven methods, viz.: Kent Treble Bob, College Single, St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Double Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Oxford Bob. Tenor 19½ cwt.

REGINALD E. LAMBERT ...Treble	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT ... .. 4
GEORGE FULLER ... .. 2	RICHARD HOPE ... .. 5
JAMES WAGHORN... .. 3	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN. ...Tenor

Conducted by FREDK. J. LAMBERT.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

TEDDINGTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
ON THE LAWN AT 16, COLESHILL ROAD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 18 in G.

CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... 1—2	WALTER AYRE ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING... .. 3—4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7—8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MRS. DOBBIE and MRS. PULLING.

Rung in honour of St. Mark's Day.

HACKFORD AND WHITWELL, REEPHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 2, 1920, in One Hour and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. F. J. BARBER,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

FREDERICK J. BARBER ... 1	HORACE BEAN ... .. 3
ALBERT ED. NEAL ... .. 2	JOHN WM. WASEY ... .. 4
WALTER C. MEADLER ... .. 5—6	

Conducted by W. C. MEADLER.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, May 4, 1920, in Three Hours,  
IN THE NETTLE'S ROOM AT KING EDWARD VI. GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 1—2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3—4	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 7—8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9—10	

Composed by W. WILLSON. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

Sergt. Gilbert and Miss Mills of Aldershot heard part of the peal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, May 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF A. H. PULLING,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 1—2	LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3—4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7—8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Mrs. Pulling heard the last hour of the peal.

**RECORDING OF PEALS.***To the Editor.*

Sir,—In your issue of the 14th, your correspondent, R. Street, comments on peals being recorded twice. I fail to see where there is much publicity in association's reports, and surely peals are worthy of record in one weekly journal, otherwise they are not worth ringing, and my contention is this, if a paper cannot be produced to record them and other ringing matters for twopence, we must increase the price, as all other daily and weekly papers are increased. As to what Mr. Street says about only a small proportion of peals being worth recording at all, I think most ringers will agree that this is nothing more nor less than a nasty slur on peal ringers as a whole. It certainly does not say much for Mr. Street's own performances. With my wide experience as a ringer, I should not like to make such a statement, as it certainly would not have any foundation; but it is the same whether in ringing or anything else, those persons who are most fond of expressing their opinions are, in ninety-nine cases out of every hundred, inexperienced folk, whose opinions are not worth the space they occupy.—Yours,  
W. PYE.

Sir,—May I be allowed to state that for one I cannot agree with Mr. R. O. Street's letter as to the recording of peals. Surely one of the chief reasons for the Exercise requiring a ringing journal is to record ringing performances; therefore, if it is impossible to find space for all the touches which are rung, it should at least record peals.—Yours truly,  
39, Winter Road, Norwich.

GEO. CROSS.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham district was held at Beckenham. The bells are an easy-going ring of eight, and Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative, Cambridge and London Surprise Major were tapped off in good style, a course of Bristol failing in the last lead. At the service, at which the Association's form was used, the Rev. J. T. Plowden-Wardlaw (Rector) read the prayers and the Rev. F. S. Harding (curate) the lesson. The Rector also gave a very instructive address, taking for his text the first words of the Magnificat, 'My soul doth magnify the Lord.'

Tea followed in the Church House, the Rector sitting down with the company. The business meeting followed, Mr. W. J. Jeffries being

voted to the chair, the Rector having to leave to take a service.—Ten new members were elected, six elections in towers ratified, and the Rev. F. S. Harding elected an honorary member.—Chislehurst was selected as the place for the next meeting in July.

Mr. W. J. Jeffries (district representative) read his report of the Central Committee meeting, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded him for the same.—A hearty vote of thanks was also passed to the Rector for the use of bells, and for his address to the Rev. T. S. Harding, and the organist, for their services, and to Mr. and Mrs. W. Dennis and Mrs. W. Smith for kindly arranging the tea.—A hearty vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the business. Some of the party returned to the tower, while others strolled in the Rectory garden.

**MR. C. T. COLES' 300 PEALS.**

With a peal of Stedman Cinques at Waltham Abbey, Mr. C. T. Coles, the hon. secretary of the Middlesex Association, reached his 300th peal. The peals have been rung in 102 different towers in 14 counties, and the following is the list:—

	Tower Bells		Handbells	
	Rung	Conducted	Rung	
Grandsire Triples	...	...	...	...
Grandsire Caters	...	...	...	...
Stedman Triples	...	...	...	2
Stedman Caters	...	...	...	4
Stedman Cinques	...	...	...	...
Bob Major	...	...	...	...
Bob Royal	...	...	...	...
Kent Major	...	...	...	...
Kent Royal	...	...	...	...
Kent Maximus	...	...	...	...
Double Norwich Major	...	...	...	...
Superlative Surprise	...	...	...	5
Cambridge Major	...	...	...	1
Cambridge Royal	...	...	...	...
Cambridge Maximus	...	...	...	...
Norfolk Surprise	...	...	...	...
London Surprise	...	...	...	...
Bristol Surprise	...	...	...	...
	294	22	6	
Total 300, Conducted 22.				

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### DEVON'S NEW PEAL OF TEN.

Devon will soon have another fine peal of ten. Messrs. Taylor and Co. have recast the treble, 2nd and 6th of the old eight at Cullompton, and added two new trebles, the bells having been hung in entirely new fittings and new iron framework. The dedication is fixed for June 5th, at noon.

### VICTORY BELLS.

A 'Victory' peal of six new bells has been placed in the tower of Holy Trinity Church, Capenhurst, Cheshire, and these have been dedicated, together with a memorial for those of the parish who fell in the great war, by the Bishop of Chester. The bells, the tenor of which is 13 cwt., were cast and hung by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, who have installed them in the most up-to-date fittings, the work having been carried out under the supervision of Mr. T. Dexter. The service of dedication was of a most impressive nature, and the Bishop delivered a touching address. As the congregation left the church the bells were rung by the following members of the Backford company: J. Dutton 1, J. Edwards 2, W. Johnson 3, L. Edwards 4, R. Williams 5, G. Thomas 6.

### A SOMERSET RESTORATION.

#### BELL HANGER LAYS FOUNDATIONS OF A NEW BAND.

Another portion of the scheme at Nunney Parish Church, Somerset, for the celebration of peace and victory in the great war has been completed by the restoration of the bells, which have been dedicated by the Ven. Archdeacon Farrer of Wells. The following clergy were present: The Rev. F. W. Clough (Rector of Nunney), the Rev. J. E. W. Honnywill (Leigh-on-Mendip), and the Rev. A. R. J. Young (Marston Biggott). The opening hymn was 'O God, our help in ages past.' A shortened form of evensong followed, and the special lesson was read by the Rev. J. E. W. Honnywill. After the third collect, the hymn, 'All people that on earth do dwell,' was sung. During the chanting of Psalm cxxii, the Archdeacon, with the clergy, proceeded to the ringing chamber, preceded by the churchwardens. The actual dedication having been performed, a picked body of ringers from Midsomer Norton, viz., Messrs. J. T. Dyke, J. Hambleton, A. Speed, S. Carter, T. Griffen and I. B. Holmyard rang the bells while the clergy returned to their places. The Archdeacon gave an address. He made touching references to the men, 17 in number, who had left the parish, served in the forces and made the supreme sacrifice, and proceeded to give many illustrations of the meaning of the sound of the bells to those living in the parish. He exhorted all to obey the call and strive to be more and more active and energetic in their work as Christians.

During the singing of the hymn 'The Church's One Foundation,' a collection was made, which realised £1 18s. 6d., and was given to the Chiming Apparatus Fund.

After service, the ringers were provided with tea in the Church Room, kindly arranged by Mrs. Mann and Mrs. Compton.

The Nunney ringers rang a short touch at the close of the church service. Other ringers present were: Messrs. W. Bishop, W. Flower, C. Ledbury, L. Bishop, D. Flower and J. Offer (Frome, St. John's), F. Chivers (Midsomer Norton), Rossiter, and others from Leigh and Wanstrow.

The work of bell restoration included the recasting of the tenor bell (weighing 11 cwt.) and the 5th bell, the rehangings of the peal in the latest patent vertical cantilever, riveted, steel bell frames, with all modern fittings, together with a chiming apparatus, while provision is being made for the addition of two new treble bells to complete the octave. The bells have been tuned upon Canon Simpson's five-tone principle, and the tone and 'go' leave nothing to be desired. The whole of the work has been carried out by Messrs. John Warner and Sons, Ltd. of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London, to the greatest satisfaction of everyone concerned.

The local ringers received instruction in change ringing from Mr. Frank Smith, Messrs. Warner's bell hanger. He found them very excellent material and there is no doubt that a very promising band will soon be built up from this local talent.

### BISPHAM'S NEW BELLS.

A new peal of six has been put in at All Hallows, Bispham, near Blackpool, by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and at a trial which took place on May 20th great satisfaction was expressed by those who heard and handled the bells. A 720 Bob Minor was rung by: F. Howarth 1, J. Smith 2, W. Wild 3, T. Crookall 4, G. Maries (conductor) 5, A. A. Hughes (London) 6. The bells will be dedicated on June 15th, probably by the Bishop of Manchester.

ERITH, KENT.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist, on Sunday, May 2nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: W. Smith 1, F. J. Cullum, senr. 2, F. J. Cullum, junr. 3, D. Harvey 4, A. J. Morton 5, J. T. Lowrey 6, E. J. Ilott (first quarter peal as conductor) 7, J. S. Morton 8.



## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

### SUMMARY OF TUESDAY'S BUSINESS.

At the meeting of the Central Council at the Town Hall, Northampton, on Tuesday, the members were officially welcomed by the Mayor. The President (the Rev. A. H. F. Boughy) was in the chair, and there were 59 members present.

The accounts of the Council showed receipts amounting to £66 12s. 3d. (including £16 13s. 2d. from sale of publications), and a balance in hand on the year of £63 15s. 7d.

On the recommendation of the Standing Committee, it was resolved to establish a library, the nucleus of which will be a number of books and MSS. left by the late Sir Arthur Heywood.

At the suggestion of the Standing Committee, a circular is to be sent to Bishops, Archdeacons and clergy, pointing out the desirability of encouraging good ringing, and especially, good change ringing in all towers with peals of bells.

There was an impressive interruption of the business at 12 o'clock noon, when the tenor bells at several of the local towers were tolled, and the members rose in their places to honour the ringers who gave their lives in the great war. The President read the names of the fallen men, the list including over 950 names.

It was reported that only seven associations had sent in expressions of opinion as to giving the Council powers to enforce its decisions and these were all adverse to granting these powers.

The reports of other committees followed, and the Rev. A. T. Beeston was added to the Peals Analysis Committee.

The Rev. C. E. Matthews reported that he had succeeded in obtaining the MSS. from Mr. R. A. Daniell in connection with the work of the Literature and Press Committee, and that Mr. Daniell had done much valuable work. The thanks of the Council were accorded Mr. Daniell for his labours.

The Council passed a resolution to hold over the printing of the Collection of Treble Bob peals on account of the present prohibitive cost, and referred the matter back to the committee with a view to having copies typed and placed in the new library for use.

A resolution was passed urging upon the Bishop of London's Commission the desirability of preserving all towers in the City of London in which there are notable rings of bells, an amendment to include the churches themselves being defeated, the feeling being that to take this step would be to go outside the province of the Council.

The Council decided to compile and keep up to date an official list of the first peal, and the progressive record lengths in each method on each number of bells, and appointed the Rev. A. T. Beeston, the Rev. H. Law James and Mr. T. H. Beams a committee to carry out the work.

It was resolved that steps be taken to approach the authorities of the Victoria and Albert Science and Art Museum with a view to the possibility of obtaining from them the allotment of a suitable space for the exhibition in London of bells, models, papers, drawings etc., illustrative of campanology as a science and art.

No support was found for the proposal to alter the date of the annual meeting, and the motion with regard to Surprise Methods was passed over, as the member who had given notice of the matter was not present.

Votes of thanks to the Mayor and Corporation, to Mr. F. Wilford for having made the arrangements and to the President, concluded the business.

Afterwards the members were entertained to tea at St. Giles' Church Hall by the Northants Association, and later in the evening there was a social gathering at the Grand Hotel.

## WESTMINSTER ABBEY BELLS.

At Westminster Abbey, on May 18th, immediately preceding the historical ceremony of the installation of the Knights of the most honourable Order of the Bath, in King Henry VII's Chapel (the Chapel of the Order), a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung by eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths: Edwin Horrex 1, Alan R. Macdonald 2, John Thomas (conductor) 3, Albert A. Hughes 4, Herbert Langdon 5, Cornelius Charge 6, Alfred B. Peck 7, Samuel Andrews 8. Thus on this occasion of great historic and national interest, the bells, and, incidentally, the Ancient Society, played their part.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

### NORTHERN DIVISION PRACTICE MEETING.

The monthly united practice of the Scarborough-Pickering branch was held at Malton on Saturday, and proved a great success, and a happy augury for the future development of change ringing in an isolated but beautiful part of the northern division. Twenty-five ringers attended from Helmsley, Pickering, Malton and Scarborough. This being essentially a practice meeting no long touches were indulged in, and no time wasted in arguing whether Bob Doubles was a Surprise method (it proved so to some present), thus enabling everyone who attended to take part in a touch of either Doubles, Minor or Triples.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

### NEW MASTER ELECTED.

The 35th annual meeting of the Sussex County Association was held at Brighton on May 8th. Ringing during the morning was followed by luncheon at St. Nicholas' Parish Hall, at which the Master (Mr. F. B. Tompkins) presided, supported by the Rev. H. M. Hordern (Vicar of St. Nicholas'), the Rev. O. H. Clarke (Chiddingley), Mr. Ellman Brown, hon. treasurer, Mr. J. T. Rickman, and about 55 members representing Brighton, Lewes, Eastbourne Hastings, Seaford, Battle, Rusep, Heathfield, Angmering, Shoreham, Pulborough, Heene, East Grinstead, Rotherfield, Chiddingley, Chichester, Hurstpierpoint, Henfield, Bolney, etc.

The Master proposed the toast of the 'King' and also the 'Church and State.' Responding to the latter, the Rev. H. M. Hordern referred to recent church reforms and the necessity of greater church unity. He asked church bell ringers to further efforts in this direction, and expressed the opinion that all children should be taught to know their duties towards 'Church and State.'

The business meeting followed, and Mr. F. B. Tompkins resigned the mastership.—It was resolved that a hearty vote of thanks be passed to him and recorded on the minutes in appreciation of the twelve years' service to the Association.

Mr. J. T. Rickman was then elected as Master.

Mr. G. H. House and Mr. Smith, of Eastbourne, were elected auditors, and thanks were accorded to the retiring auditors, Messrs. Bray and Hanfrey.

The balance sheet was presented, and showed that it was necessary to draw on the reserve resources to the amount of £24, the Hon. Treasurer pointing out that it would be necessary to consider the financial position of the association at an early date.

Fourteen new members were elected and it was reported that the Hailsham tower had become affiliated to the association.

The 'Warner' Challenge Bell was presented to the Salehurst band who had won with 77 points out of a total of 400. Ten towers competed.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicars of St. Nicholas' and St. Peter's for use of bells during the day and to the Rev. H. M. Hordern for the use of the St. Nicholas' Parish Hall for luncheon and meeting.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

### INTERESTING MEETING AT STOW.

A combined meeting of the Gainsborough and Lincoln Districts was held at Stow on Saturday, May 8th, and was well attended, ringers being present from Gainsborough, Corringham, Scotter, Lincoln (St. Botolph's) and Dunholme, in addition to the local company. The bells were available during the afternoon and evening and kept going except at intervals, touches of Grandsire, Plain Bob and Treble Bob being rung; also rounds and call changes for the benefit of learners.

Tea was provided in the Schoolroom, and was followed by the business meeting at which Mr. F. F. Linley presided, supported by the Revs. J. Barber and S. Wild, incumbents of Stow and Dunholme respectively. Apologies for being unable to attend were announced from Canon Hicks, Messingham; the Rev. R. Thornton, Corringham; the Rev. H. T. Parry, Bigby; and Mr. G. Chester, hon. secretary, Lincoln District. The following new members were elected: Mr. Cyril Atkinson, Gainsborough, performing member; Mr. J. O. Tinker, Gainsborough, transferred from performing to non-resident life member; Mrs. Wardle, Miss Bowen, Mrs. Howell, all of Stow; and Mrs. F. F. Linley, Gainsborough, as honorary members.

After the routine of business had been transacted, Mr. Linley read a very interesting and instructive paper on Stow church and its closely linked connection with the bishops of the diocese from the seventh century onwards. He also alluded to the use of handbells during the same period.—The Rev. S. Wild proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Linley, and votes of thanks were also accorded to the church authorities for the use of the bells, to the ladies of Stow for their very efficient catering and attendance at the tea tables, to Mr. F. F. Linley for presiding, and to others who had helped to make the meeting a success. Choral evensong was then held, at which the Rector officiated, and Mr. F. F. Linley read the lessons.

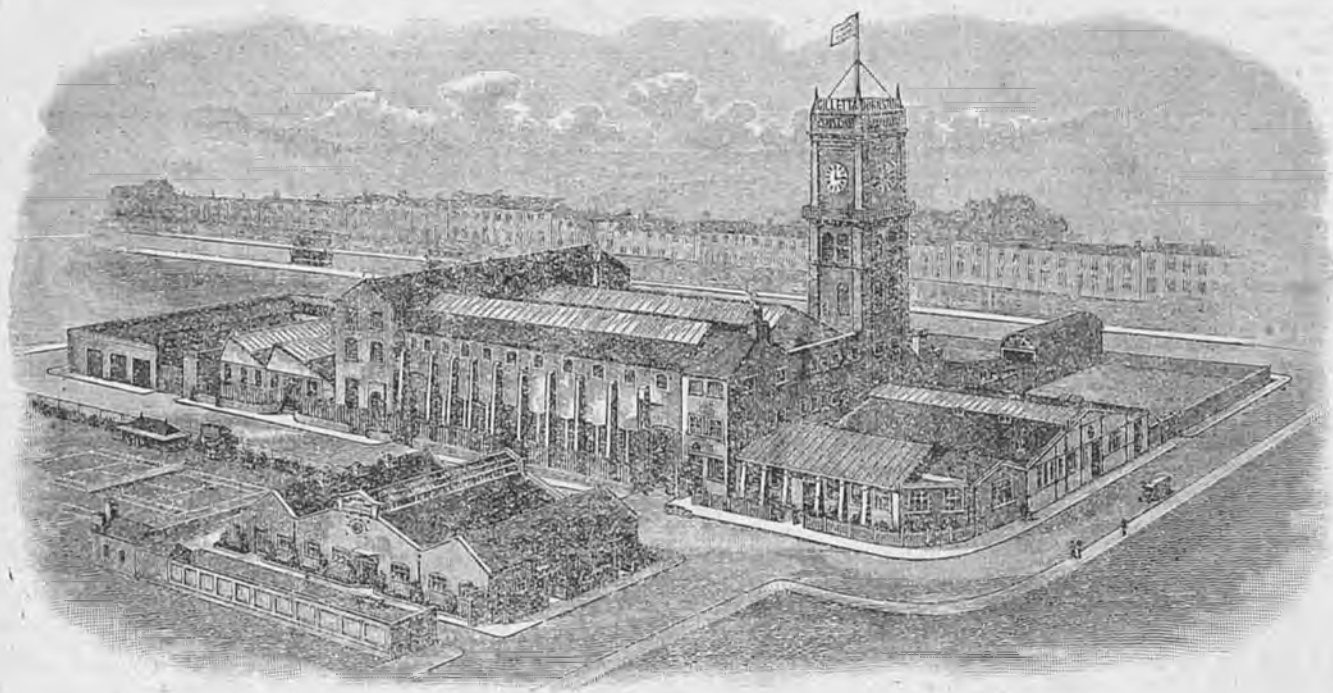
After the service the ringers and several of the parishioners made their way to the ringing chamber for the dedication of a handbell case. This very neat and most useful piece of furniture has been presented by the choir and ringers of Stow church, and was made by a local gentleman. The wood for the front of the case is of oak and has been taken from a beam 500 years old, which at one time served its purpose in some part of the church.

At the close of the dedication service Mr. Linley gave a few words of good advice, after which further ringing took place and a very enjoyable meeting was brought to a close.

At Sapcote Leicestershire, on May 15th 1920 of Bob Minor in 1 hour and 10 minutes: W. Wright 1, C. Brown 2, H. Briggs (conductor) 3, G. Wood 4, H. Wright 5, J. Clarke 6.

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## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## NEW BANDS ADDED.

Upwards of 50 members attended a meeting of the N. and E. district of the Middlesex Association at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on Saturday, May 1st, the main object being to establish the recently formed local band as a branch of the Diocesan Guild. Ringing during the afternoon included rounds for the beginners, and Grandsire, Stedman, Double Norwich, London Surprise, etc., for the more advanced ringers.

A short service was held at which the Rector (the Rev. W. H. Davies) welcomed the Association, remarking that it was the largest gathering of ringers that he had ever had the pleasure of addressing. He was glad to meet them, and thanked those members who were helping his own ringers. The war had hit them very hard at St. Giles' as not one of the old band remained in the parish. Some had lost their lives, whilst others had gone away, and they had had to start afresh. He hoped that with the help of the Association they would soon have a competent set of ringers again. The Rector went on to urge upon the members present their duties as Churchmen as well as ringers, and hoped they all remembered these duties. Their ringing would be listened to that afternoon by many people who would appreciate their efforts. He stated that before he came to St. Giles' he was Rector of Spitalfields, one of the poorest parishes in the East End of London. The church there is situated in some gardens much frequented by the very lowest who lived in the common doss-houses of the district. These people, with all their sin and vice, could only be touched in two ways, either by speaking to them about their mothers, or by the ringing of the bells. When the bells of Christ Church had been ringing he had seen these people in tears, for the bells brought back to them thoughts of their childhood, before their sins and vices had brought them down. There were many bed-ridden old people in the neighbourhood of St. Giles', too, who listened eagerly to the bells, and to whom joy would be brought every time they were rung. He hoped all the members would be worthy of their ringing. The service was concluded with the singing of the hymn, 'Fight the good fight,' and with the Blessing.

Afterwards tea was served in the Church House, Dyott Street, the members being the guests of the Rector and the St. Giles' Guild of Ringers, and a sumptuous meal was partaken of.

At the business meeting, which followed, the chair was taken by the president, Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O., and the Hon. Secretary proposed the election of the Rev. W. H. Davies, and nine members of the local Guild as members of the society. Mr. Coles stated that he had been approached some short time ago by the Rector about starting a new band, and he had obtained for them the services of Mr. A. W. Coles as instructor. With some good help during the last few weeks from Mr. G. W. Fletcher there had been considerable progress made, and he hoped the new branch of the society would soon be efficient.—Mr. A. W. Coles seconded the proposal, which was unanimously passed.

The President welcomed the new members to the society, congratulating them on their progress, and giving them some good ringers' advice.—In addition to the above 14 other new members were made, including nine of the All Hallows', Tottenham, Society, where the band had been re-formed, after losing nearly half of their members from various causes during the war.

The Hon. Secretary proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for his address at the service and for the use of the bells and also to the St. Giles' Guild, for the hospitality shown to the members of the society that afternoon. He also thanked the lady organist for help at the service; the Rector of St. Andrew's, Wells Street, for permission to ring at that church; and Mr. Dyas, the tower keeper, for making the necessary arrangements.—The President seconded, adding that it was a great pleasure to have the company of the Rector of St. Giles' with them, and he hoped he would be repaid for all his trouble by soon having a band second to none in the county.—The Rev. W. H. Davies replied, again thanking the members for the help given to him, and wishing the society every success.

The Hon. Secretary stated that if any member of the society had not received their copy of the annual report, he would be glad to hear from them. Any life member could have a copy on application, for the small sum of 8d. He also had a number of war-time reports left, which probably might be of interest to those who had been away. The meeting closed with the ringing of a course of Stedman Caters on Mr. J. Rayner's handbells by Messrs. G. M. Kilby, J. Armstrong, G. R. Pye, W. Pye and C. Charge.

Ringings afterwards took place, both at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, and St. Andrew's, Wells Street, there being a large company at the latter tower to hear the fine-toned peal there, these bells being heard by many present for the first time. Short touches were the order, to give all an opportunity of ringing, and amongst the methods rung were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, London, Bristol and Kent Treble Bob. This splendid peal, with a tenor of 21 cwt., was greatly admired, and it is to be hoped that they will be heard much more in the future than they have in the past. The meeting broke up at 9 o'clock, and it was considered a most successful one from all points of view.

## A RECORD RESTORATION.

## PRINCESS MARY'S VISIT TO WEST HAM.

On Tuesday, May 11th, H.R.H. Princess Mary visited the historic Parish Church of West Ham—800 years old—and attended the opening of the Home Craft Exhibition in the Church Hall. Her Royal Highness was received by the Vicar (the Rev. Canon T. Guy Rogers, M.C.), who served in France with the Brigade of Guards; also by the Mayor of West Ham, the churchwardens and local dignitaries. While the Princess was being conducted round the church and inspecting some of the famous old brasses, the heavy peal of ten bells was merrily ringing out their first quarter-peal of 1,260 changes since their restoration, which had been undertaken and completed in the record period of three weeks by the Croydon firm (Messrs. Gillett and Johnston).

The Royal party then proceeded to the Church Hall, where the Mayor extended to the Princess a hearty welcome on behalf of the laity of the parish.—The Vicar, in a short and happy speech, expressed the appreciation of the honour conferred that day on West Ham and all its parishioners, and in conclusion presented the Princess with a beautiful clasp of the church by a local artist of more than local fame, the frame being the work of an elementary school in the parish. An exhaustive tour of the exhibition then took place, followed by a tea. At the conclusion of this, amongst those who had taken an active part in the organisation of the day's proceedings who were presented to Her Royal Highness by the Vicar, was the principal of the firm of bell founders and Mrs. A. A. Johnston. The Princess expressed to Mr. C. F. Johnston her great appreciation of the ringing at the tower, and was much interested in the fact that the bells had been restored at such short notice especially for her visit.

The Princess received a great ovation in the borough and was loudly cheered, both coming and going. Mr. C. Dean, of the staff of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, took part in the day's ringing, and the following rang in the quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters which occupied 58 minutes: W. Doran (conductor) 1, W. Theobald 2, H. Torble 3, J. Waghorn 4, E. Wigg 5, J. Scholes 6, H. Flanders 7, J. Moule 8, G. Hayden 9, G. Potter 10.

## SALISBURY GUILD.

## DORCHESTER BRANCH.

The quarterly meeting of the Dorchester Branch was held at West Lulworth on Thursday, April 29th, and proved very successful. West Lulworth is one of the beauty spots along the Dorset coast, with its famous and romantic cove, and is a remarkable feature of a very remarkable coast. It is hardly discernible from the sea, being guarded by two projecting spurs of rock, which form the pillars of Hercules to the miniature Mediterranean, and so well known to many holiday makers and known as Lulstead in Thomas Hardy's novel, 'Far from the Madding Crowd'. Lulworth Castle is pleasantly situated near the village, in a fine well-wooded park of 640 acres. Members attended from Charmminster, Dorchester, Milton, Puddletown, Wool, Wyke Regis, and West Lulworth, altogether 36. The bells, a light peal of six (by Mears and Stambank), were kept going to Doubles, two lady ringers from Charmminster taking part. The Guild service was held, the choir led the singing, and a good congregation was present. The Rev. Dr. Powell, who officiated, gave an address taking for his text, 'O praise God in His holiness.' Following the service, the ringers adjourned to the Parish Hall, where they were kindly entertained to tea by Dr. and Mrs. Powell, the ringers being waited on by a willing band of ladies. Dr. Powell gave the Guild a hearty welcome to his parish.

The business meeting followed, presided over by the chairman (Mr. R. N. Dawes), supported by the officers of the branch.—The Chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Dr. and Mrs. Powell for the bountiful entertainment, to the doctor for the service, the use of the bells, etc.; also to the choir and local ringers.—This was seconded by Mr. Hewlett, and supported by the secretary.—Apologies for absence were received from the Master, Major Hughes D'Eath, the general secretary (the Rev. F. L. Edwards), and the Revs. Canon Barclay, R.D., C. C. Cox, C. A. Phillips, E. H. Melling, Messrs. W. Bedford, J. T. Godwin, J. North, T. Page, and Martin Stewart.

The Chairman reported on the progress of the memorial tablet, and the meeting agreed that a suitable Saturday in June would be convenient for the unveiling ceremony, the secretary being asked to ascertain which date would suit the majority of the members.

One new member was proposed, and, on the invitation of the Bera Regis members, that place was chosen for the summer meeting, the date fixed being July 8th. This concluded the business and after a few more 120's on the bells the visitors motored to Wool, where are the remains of Bindon Abbey founded in 1172. A doggerel couplet asserts that the former bells (a peal of 12) were appropriated by the neighbouring parishes of Wool, Coombe and Fordington. Wool Church was visited, and further ringing was indulged in, good practice being made by some of the beginners.



## NOTICES.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Cliffe on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3. Short service at 5, conducted by the Rector (Rev. A. T. Wallis). Tea at 5.30 at The Six Bells, followed by business meeting. Half rail fares up to 2s. will be paid. Bus leaves Chatham for Cliffe at 4. Train from Gravesend 2.35.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Secretary, 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Brecon District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Builth Wells on Saturday, May 29th. Bells (6) ready 3 p.m. Tea 5.30, advise me by 25th. — J. P. Hyett, District Secretary, Dulas Terrace, Hay.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Appledore on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3 o'clock.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Secretary, British School Villas, Tenterden.

**HERTS ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Watford on Saturday, May 29th, 1920. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea in St. Mary's Hall, at 5.30, at a moderate charge, followed by short business meeting. All friends welcome.—H. Eden, 11, Pinner Road, Oxhey, Watford; F. A. Smith, Hon. District Secretaries.

**THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The next quarterly meeting of this Guild will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, May 29th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 4.30. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than 25th. It is hoped that every member will make a special effort to attend this meeting, which is most important.—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**OXFORD GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Members and friends are invited to attend a gathering at Chalfont St. Peter on Saturday, May 29th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Evensong, with an address by the Rev. Canon Coleridge, at 3.45. Tea by invitation 4.30.—To facilitate arrangements kindly send a card to Mr. J. Stone, Beaumont House, Orchard Grove, Chalfont St. Peter, by May 22nd.—G. H. Gutteridge, Iver Heath, Uxbridge.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Bennington on Saturday, May 29th, when the bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. A free tea will be provided by the kindness of Canon Mills. All members and any others will be welcome. A visit to this pretty old-world village will be found worth while.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. District Sec., Little Munden.

**OLDHAM ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Miles Platting on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock for those sending in their names to J. Hall, 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, by June 1st.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—The annual district meeting for the election of officers will be held at Kingsthorpe on Saturday, June 5th. Arrangements as usual. Kindly inform me, not later than Tuesday, June 1st, if you require tea.—T. Law, District Sec., St. Peter's Cottages, Weston Favell.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Westhoughton on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The June meeting will be held at Anston on Saturday, the 5th. Six bells. Kiveton Park Station, G.C.R.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Leek on Saturday, June 5th. Please notify me on or before May 28th how many intend to be present from your tower. Business: Division of Association; War Memorial.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Chipping on June 5th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. Tea will be arranged at a nominal charge.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Wootton Bassett on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (8) available 2 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—H. W. Bishop, Hon. Sec., Church View, Wanboro, Swindon.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Shenley on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. at Shenley (6) and Loughton (6). Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than May 29th?—W. Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at Chiddingfold (Witley Station) on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Guild Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. All ringers heartily welcomed. Please notify for tea before June 1st.—Mrs. Hazelden, Hon. Sec., Joseph's Road, Guildford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above Branch will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, June 12th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Scarborough on Saturday, June 12th. The bells of St. Mary's Church (a fine peal of eight) will be available all day. Tea will be provided at a small charge, all applications for the same to reach Mr. H. Ferguson, Mayville Avenue, Scarborough, not later than Tuesday, June 8th. A short service will be held in the Church at 4 p.m.; tea at 4.30, followed immediately by a business meeting. Scarborough being an ideal place for a day's outing, it is hoped all interested will make an effort to attend this meeting.—A. L. Henderson, Hon. District Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mathew's, Stretford, June 12th. Bells at 3.30; meeting at 7.—W. Wolstencroft.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—All Saints' Church, High Wycombe.—A cordial invitation is extended to ringers to a Ringing Festival on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (12) available from 2.30 to 4.15 and 7 to 9. Service at 4.45, with sermon by Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop of Buckingham. Tea at the Church House at 5.30, to ringers who notify not later than June 10th, R. Coles, foreman, Priory Road, or George Twitchen, Hon. Sec., 17, Totteridge Road, Wycombe. Rev. F. Merivale Molyneux, the recently-appointed Vicar, will preside.



**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.  
—The next monthly meeting will be held on June, 12th at St. Albans, Rochdale. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—  
Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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#### SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

A most successful meeting of the Salop Guild was held at Wem, members being present from Shrewsbury, Coalbrookdale, Market Drayton, Grove, Wem, Stanton Prees, Malins Lee and Highfield; also Mr. W. Wilde, of the Chester Guild, whom the members were pleased to welcome. Tea was provided in the Temperance Hotel, and a business meeting, presided over by the Rev. F. Tennison, followed, when 21 new members were admitted to the Guild, Mr. C. R. Tilley proposing 15 probationers, which gave the members much pleasure. It was decided to elect an assistant secretary for the monthly meetings, Mr. F. Mole, of Malins Lee, being appointed, on the motion of the Master seconded by Mr. Saunders. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Church Stretton, in July. The methods rung during the day were: Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob Major and a course of Double Norwich Court Bob Major. This last is worthy of special mention, as being the first to be rung at a Guild meeting. The band was: J. Garbett 1, W. Weatherby 2, T. Holding 3, G. L. Hewitt 4, H. W. Wilde 5, G. Jones 6, W. Saunders 7, C. H. Lilly 8. The members accord their best thanks to Mr. Barnett, of Wem, the local men, the Vicar and curate, and especially the Rev. F. Tennison, for such a successful and pleasant meeting.

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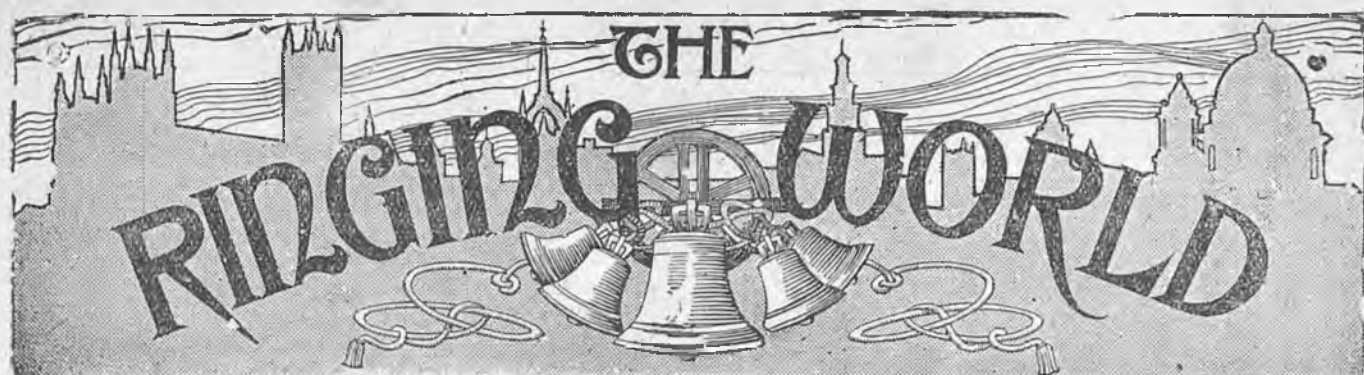
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### THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

Reviewing the proceedings of the Central Council meeting at Northampton as a whole, there will be, among the members, at any rate, a feeling that the gathering was more productive of results than any meeting for many years past. The debates were not upon subjects introduced merely for the sake of discussion, but the Council had before them a series of practical proposals, they dealt with them in a businesslike way, and we hope the meeting is the first step in a new career of usefulness and enterprising effort. The causes which have led to this revived activity are mainly, we think, to be found in a general recognition of the fact that the Council had to do something to justify its existence in the eyes of the rising generation of ringers, and also that it has received a new impetus from the new President, who has brought freshness of mind to bear upon the work, and has been able to view the possibilities of the Council from the perspective of one who is actively in touch with ringers of to-day.

We shall have further opportunity of dealing with the various matters discussed by the Council, but there is no question as to the soundness of the decision to establish a library for the reception of books and manuscripts relating to bells and ringing for the general use of the Exercise. Such a central library has long been wanted, but hitherto the difficulty has been to find the nucleus round which to build it up. The disposal of the late President's ringing books and papers has now made the project possible, through the kindness of the Cambridge University Guild, to whom the volumes and MSS. were bequeathed. Various small libraries for ringers exist in the country, but these are available only to a limited circle, while there are other ancient books and papers in some of the great public libraries. There is, however, no collection of works, large or small, readily available to the general body of ringers, and by setting up such a library the Council will be rendering a great service to future generations of the Exercise, for in it can be placed documents and records which may be of much interest to future students of the art, but which, at present, have no place of deposit where they can be readily accessible.

In this connection would it not be possible to have suitably enscrolled and deposited in the library that sad but striking list of names of the men who went out from the Exercise and fell on the field of honour? The long list of nearly a thousand ringers was read at the meeting at Northampton, and is a list which deserves preservation in the archives of the Exercise. What better place for it than the new library?

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Tenor 24 cwt.

HAROLD J. WALTON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. PASMORE ... 6
HENRY R. NEWTON ... .. 2	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 7
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LOUIS ATTWATER ... .. 4	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 9
HARRY R. PASMORE ... .. 5	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH.  
Conducted by HARRY R. PASMORE.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON, STEPNEY,

**A PELL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 32 cwt.

CHARLES H. HORTON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM A. ALPS ... .. 6
WILLIAM TANNER ... .. 2	WILLIAM S. LANGDON ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 3	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 8
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THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PELL OF GRANDSIRE CATERERS, 5399 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24½ cwt.

GEORGE HOLLIS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 6
JOHN FLINT ... .. 2	FREDERICK E. SMITH ... .. 7
SAM THOMAS ... .. 3	WALTER ALLWOOD ... .. 8
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. 4	GEORGE A. THOMPSON ... .. 9
FRANK JACOBS ... .. 5	WILLIAM BENNETT ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

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On Saturday, May 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRED,

**A PELL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

E. TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

* ROBERT URMSTON ... .. Treble	JOHN BOOTH ... .. 5
THOMAS GROUNDS ... .. 2	ERNEST BIRCHALL ... .. 6
JOSEPH GRAY ... .. 3	JAMES W. GROUNDS ... .. 7
JAMES WORTHINGTON ... .. 4	* ROBERT TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST BIRCHALL.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells by an entirely local band, all being regular service ringers.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

(SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Friday, May 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PELL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

REV. R. F. WILKINSON ... .. Treble	THOMAS BETTISON ... .. 5
REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. 2	CHARLES MASON ... .. 6
ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... .. 3	THOMAS RILEY ... .. 7
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 4	JOHN FLINT ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOHN FLINT.



## FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

HARRY HALL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. 5
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. 2	WILLIAM G. CRICKMER ... .. 6
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. LAST ... .. 7
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 4	ERNEST E. LANHAM ... .. Tenor

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Conducted by W. T. LAST.

The ringers of 1, 4 and 6 hail from Earl Soham, of 2 and 3 from Cretingham, 5 from Debenham and 7 and 8 from Helmingham.

## LONDON.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, ROTHERHITHE,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM THEOBALD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SHIMMANS ... .. 5
WILLIAM BERRY ... .. 2	EDGAR WIGHTMAN ... .. 6
FRANK SMITH ... .. 3	GEORGE CARD ... .. 7
JOHN W. CORNFORD ... .. 4	WALTER AYRES ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

## ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM ETHERINGTON ... .. Treble	CHARLES S. BIRD ... .. 5
ALBERT BECKENSALE ... .. 2	JOSEPH MILNER ... .. 6
THOMAS BEADLE ... .. 3	GEORGE SPENCER ... .. 7
EDWARD F. COLE ... .. 4	ALBERT SHEARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE SPENCER.

rung on the 70th birthday of Mr. T. Beadle, Vice-President of the Association.

## WEM, SHROPSHIRE.

## THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S IRREGULAR FIVE-PART NO. 1. Tenor 13 cwt. in F.

*GEORGE COWLEY ... .. Treble	FREDERICK A. BARNETT ... .. 5
WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 2	WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... .. 6
WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 3	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 7
EDWARD V. RODENHORST ... .. 4	GEORGE MOORE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\* First peal. It is 22 years since the tenor man rang a peal. The treble, 5th and tenor ringers are the first local Wem ringers to ring a peal. F. A. Barnett is late of Farnham, Surrey.

## LENTON, NOTTINGHAM.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr.

NEVILLE H. WIDDOWSON ... .. Treble	ALBERT COPPOCK ... .. 5
THOMAS H. KIRKBY ... .. 2	SAMUEL WESLEY ... .. 6
RICHARD DRAGE ... .. 3	JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 7
*JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. Tenor

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On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. 5
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 2	ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 6
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 4	WILLIAM LYNCH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

## ASHTAD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. E. BULWAR'S IRREGULAR TEN-PART. Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. Treble	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 5
CHARLES BURDOCK ... .. 2	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... .. 6
JOHN T. SCOTT ... .. 3	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 7
FREDERICK GODDARD ... .. 4	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

## MARSHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Treble	ALFRED WATSON ... .. 5
GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 2	CECIL V. EBBERTSON ... .. 6
*WALTER MEDLAR ... .. 3	BERTIE WHITESIDE ... .. 7
JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY DAINS. Conducted by G. H. CROSS.

\* First peal in the method. This was the conductor's 100th peal for the Norwich Association.

## ALDENHAM, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... .. Treble	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. 5
HUBERT EDEN ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... .. 6
*ARTHUR G. COOPER ... .. 3	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 7
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 4	ALFRED JOYCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

\* First peal in the method.

## SALLE, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 9, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

*WILLIAM DUNCAN ... .. Treble	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 5
ALFRED WATSON ... .. 2	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 6
CHARLES E. NEWLAND ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 7
CECIL V. EBBERTSON ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. Tenor

Composed by E. C. GOBEY. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal in the method. William E. Bason's 50th peal.

## TAMWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDITHA,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

8 SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... .. Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 5
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 2	HERBERT C. SPENCER ... .. 6
GEORGE GARRISON ... .. 3	THOMAS H. REEVES ... .. 7
CHARLES CHAPMAN ... .. 4	JAMES PRATT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

LEWISHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22½ cwt.

*WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... Treble	HARRY WARNETT, SEN. ... 5
*FRANK ELLIS ... 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 6
JOHN WHEADON ... 3	WALTER SMITH ... 7
†ALBERT BATES ... 4	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by F. ROBINSON.

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Treble Bob. Rung as a birthday compliment to the wives of H. Warnett, sen., and W. Smith.

LIVERPOOL.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt. in F.

THOMAS W. GILMOUR ... Treble	GEORGE R. NEWTON ... 5
*JAMES W. BELL ... 2	HERBERT LUDKIN ... 6
THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN. ... 3	JAMES MARTIN ... 7
REGINALD O. STREET ... 4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

\* First peal in the method, also first peal in the method on the bells. The conductor's 150th peal and the tenor ringer's 100th peal for the Association. Rung primarily as a Peace peal for the parish.

CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VINCENT,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt. in E.

*JOHN WALDEN ... Treble	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... 5
ARCHIE C. STOKES ... 2	FREDERICK W. STOKES ... 6
GEORGE FLINTHAM ... 3	WILLIAM DICKINSON ... 7
GEORGE CHESTER ... 4	F/Sgt. F.A. HOLDEN, R.A.F. ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRED A. HOLDEN.

\* First peal in the method.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

OLIVER SIPPETTS ... Treble	ROBERT CONGREVE PRIDGEON ... 5
ALFRED CRIPPS ... 2	KEITH HART ... 6
WILLIAM WATTS, SEN. ... 3	MAJOR J. H. B. HESSER ... 7
ROBERT J. DAWES ... 4	ALBERT A. HUGHES ... Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM SOTTANSTALL.

Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

HORACE COOPER ... Treble	*SIDNEY HALE ... 5
LEWIS WISEMAN ... 2	BERNARD PETTITT ... 6
OLAVE BROYD ... 3	*STANLEY WILDING ... 7
*ARTHUR WASH ... 4	*CECIL BARKER ... Tenor

Composed by T. A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by HORACE COOPER.

\* First peal in the method.

KNOWLE, WARWICKSHIRE. — On May 22nd, at the Parish Church, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Grausire Doubles (1260 changes): H. Smith 1, C. Bragg 2, E. C. Shepherd (conductor) 3, G. A. Martineau 4, H. Bragg 5, R. Phillips (first quarter-peal) 6.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION  
On Sunday, May 16, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

ERNEST E. GRIMES ... Treble	*THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... 5
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 2	†HARRY HALL ... 6
ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN ... 3	THOMAS WM. LAST ... 7
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 4	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by WILLIAM C. RUMSEY.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method on an inside bell.

LONG STANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.  
THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Monday, May 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;**

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

*LEONARD A. COOK ... Treble	*GEORGE CRISP ... 5
REV. H. B. WOOLLEY ... 2	WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... 6
*CHARLES W. COOK ... 3	JAMES BUTLER ... 7
*FRED J. COOK ... 4	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... Tenor

Composed by E. MAURICE ATKINS.

Conducted by WILFRED H. J. HOOTON.

\* First peal. First as conductor on tower bells. The ringers of the treble and 4th were elected members before starting for the peal.

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Wednesday, May 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

*WILLIAM STENNING ... Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... 5
JOHN FEIST ... 2	WILLIAM WATTS ... 6
*GEORGE LUCAS ... 3	ALFRED J. TURNER ... 7
HERBERT RANN ... 4	HENRY STALEHAM ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal of Major.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Thursday, May 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, COSLANY,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... Treble	ALBERT ROUGHT ... 5
ALFRED WATSON ... 2	JOHN E. BURTON ... 6
*MISS HELEN BILL ... 3	CHARLES E. BORRETT ... 7
GEORGE MAYERS ... 4	FREDERICK H. KNIGHTS ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal in the method.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.  
\*THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

ERNEST LINCOLN ... Treble	ROBERT RAYNOR ... 5
ROBERT RICHES ... 2	HARRY HALL ... 6
EDWARD JENKINS ... 3	WALTER RICHES ... 7
JOHN ETHERIDGE ... 4	ALBERT RICHES ... Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by EDWARD JENKINS.

The ringer of the treble hails from Bungay, 3rd and 6th from Earl Soham, the remainder belong to the local company. First peal as conductor. Rung as a Peace peal for the parish, and as a welcome to the Rev. Shaw, who has just taken the living.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

GAYWOOD.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Comprising two 720's of Kent, two of Oxford, two of St. Clement's and one of Plain Bob

FRED MITCHELL ... .. Treble	TOM GREENACRE ... .. 4
WILL MITCHELL ... .. 2	B. M. TARGETT, SEN. ... 5
ROBERT GREENACRE ... .. 3	GEO. HAWES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE HAWES.

BEDFORD.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-DE-MERTON,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Canterbury, Beverley, Surfleet, York, London, Wells and Cambridge.

HERBERT L. HARLOW ... Treble	MISS EVELYN STEEL ... 4
HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 2	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 5
CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... 3	WILLIAM STAPLETON ... Tenor

Conducted by W. STAPLETON.

CHARLWOOD, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, May 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, Violet, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, College Exercise and Oxford.

ARTHUR KNAPP ... .. Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 4
JOHN RICE ... .. 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 5
WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... 3	ALBERT ELLIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

Rung with the bells muffled, on the occasion of the dedication of a memorial cross and window erected to the memory of the men of the parish who laid down their lives in the Great War.

HARROLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

HENRY W. GAVTON ... Treble	MISS EVELYN STEEL ... 4
HERBERT L. HARLOW ... 2	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 5
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 3	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES WM. CLARKE.

First peal of London Surprise Minor rung in Beds, and rung at the first attempt.

COTHELSTONE, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

JOHN WYATT ... .. Treble	FRED C. ESSEX ... .. 4
FRED POLE ... .. 2	WALTER SEALY ... .. 5
EDWIN BRANCHFLOWER ... 3	WILLIAM SEALY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER SEALY.

First peal on the bells. The ringers of treble and 2nd are from Fitzhead, the 3rd and 5th from Ash Prior, 4th from Cotelstone and tenor from Bishop's Lydeard.

WOLLASTON.—At St. James' Church, 720 Bob Minor: W. Cooper 1, W. Potter 2, J. Bass 3, H. Masters (first 720) 4, R. Matthews (conductor) 5, J. Lloyd 6. 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: \*W. Cooper 1, \*W. Potter 2, J. Bass 3, \*J. Lloyd 4, W. J. Bretherton 5, \*R. Matthews (conductor) 6. \* First in the method.

GAYWOOD.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's.

FRED MITCHELL ... .. Treble	ROBERT GREENACRE ... 4
WILL MITCHELL ... .. 2	B. M. TARGETT ... .. 5
TOM GREENACRE ... .. 3	GEO. HAWES ... .. Tenor

Each of the first five ringers conducted one 720 and the tenor ringer two 720's.

HOUGHTON-LE-SPRING.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently.

Tenor 12 cwt.

J. SPEARMAN ... .. Treble	A. SPEARMAN ... .. 4
T. MASTERS ... .. 2	J. MASTERS ... .. 5
S. H. ROBINSON ... .. 3	R. PARKINSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by R. PARKINSON.

This is supposed to be the first peal on the bells, which were hung in 1830, and first peal by a local band. First peal by all except the conductor.

WHATTON-IN-THE-VALE, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN OF BEVERLEY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently.

Tenor 13 cwt.

*JOHN R. JACKSON ... Treble	STEPHEN LOACH ... .. 4
MARK BEND ... .. 2	ARTHUR W. WARD ... .. 5
JOHN W. KIRTON ... .. 3	FRANK SPENCER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK SPENCER.

\* First peal of Minor.

GRATFIELD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Oxford Bob and three 720's each of Canterbury Pleasure and Bob Minor, each called differently.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*JAMES GARDINER ... Treble	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 4
JOHN SPENCER ... .. 2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 5
JOHN LARTER ... .. 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

\* First peal and first attempt. The ringer of the treble was re-elected a member of the Association previous to starting. Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. A. J. Naunton, of Wrentham, father of the 4th and tenor ringers, who celebrated his 76th birthday on the day previous. The band wish to thank the Vicar (Rev. T. S. England) for his kindness in providing tea after the peal.

STOKESAY, SHROPSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings.

Tenor 12 cwt.

*DANIEL T. MATKIN ... Treble	†HENRY COLLIER ... .. 4
CHARLES MINTON ... .. 2	†WILLIAM MEAD ... .. 5
†FRANK EVANS ... .. 3	WILLIAM R. NASH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES MINTON.

\* First peal on tower bells. † First peal of Doubles. † First peal away from tenor. Treble and tenor men are from Ludlow, 2nd from Bishop's Castle, 3rd and 4th from Knighton and 5th from Clun. Rung as a 'Peace Peal' for the parish of Stokesay and Craven Arms, and is believed to be the first peal on the bells.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.—On Sunday evening, May 16th, at St. Mary's a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters: A. C. V. Gasson 1, T. H. Taffander (conductor) 2, H. Skelt 3, A. J. Perkins 4, J. Trappitt 5, A. J. Ploymann 6, W. H. Pickcott 7, A. J. Trappitt 8, R. Brough 9, G. E. W. Wakefield 10.



## MINCHINHAMPTON.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

At HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 13 cwt.

EDWARD JEFFERIES ... .. Treble	FRANK PONTING ... .. 4
VICTOR HATHAWAY ... .. 2	HARRY BARRATT ... .. 5
GEORGE PACKER ... .. 3	HARRY NEWMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK PONTING.

First peal of Stedman on the bells. First peal of Stedman by all the band. First peal as conductor. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Noel Playne and Mr. Kenneth Woolcombe-Boyce, both of Minchinhampton.

## HIGH LITTLETON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(FROME AND MIDSOMER NORTON DEANERY.)

On Wednesday, May 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 7 cwt.

BERTIE EVANS ... .. Treble	*STANLEY CARTER ... .. 4
GILBERT DANDO ... .. 2	HERBERT BOWDEN ... .. 5
WALTER EVANS ... .. 3	ERIC PARSONS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by STANLEY CARTER.

First peal by all except conductor. \* First peal of Doubles, and first peal as conductor. First peal on the bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## CAMBRIDGE.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Thursday, May 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At TRINITY COLLEGE,

## A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

*W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 1-2	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHAY (Trin.) 3-4	REV. E. B. JAMES (Caius) ... 7-8
*B. F. SHEPPARD (Trin.) ... 9-10	

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal of Royal in the method.

## SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

ON THE LAWN AT GLEN CARTU,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

*MISS KATHLEEN A. JUTSON 1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 5-6
F/S. F. A. HOLDEN, R.A.F. 3-4	*JOHN W. WOOD ... 7-8

Composed and Conducted by FRED A. HOLDEN.

Witness: MRS. RICHARDSON (mother of the ringer of 5-6).

\* First peal in the method on handbells.

## FRISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,

At THE RESIDENCE OF MR. C. BAILEY, BLACKHEATH, FRISTON,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 3-4	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 7-8
FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 9-10	

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Umpire: G. BAILEY.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

ON THE LAWN AT KING EDWARD VI. GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7-8

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

Several visitors to the school heard part of this peal.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

IN THE NETTLE'S ROOM AT KING EDWARD VI. GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5036 CHANGES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 1-2	MADRICE SMITHER ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 7-8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9-10	

Composed by JOHN ROGERS.

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

## REEPHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,

At THE RESIDENCE OF MR. F. J. BARBER,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 20 in E.

BERTIE DANIELS ... .. Treble	WALTER FORD ... .. 5
ALBERT NEALE ... .. 2	HORACE BEAN ... .. 6
F. J. BARBER ... .. 3	W. B. DURCAN ... .. 7
J. W. WASEY ... .. 4	W. C. MEDLER ... .. Tenor

Composed by B. ANNABLE. Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

Witness: MRS. W. C. MEDLER.

## CHELSEA, S.W.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

IN THE MUSIC ROOM AT ST MARK'S COLLEGE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5036 CHANGES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 1-2	*WALTER AYRE ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 7-8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9-10	

Composed by JOHN ROGERS. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MISS JEFSON, MISS and MRS. PULLING.

\* First peal of Caters in hand and first attempt.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Monday, May 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

IN THE MANUAL ROOM AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 14 in D.

CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 5-6
LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 3-4	MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,

IN THE NETTLE'S ROOM AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 18 in G.

*GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 1-2	LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

\* First peal away from 7-8. The above two peals were rung as a farewell to L. W. Wiffen who has left Guildford.

## CAMBRIDGE.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Tuesday, May 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Eight Minutes,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 1-2	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHAY (Trin.) 3-4	*J. BUTLER (Fitzwilliam Hall) 7-8

Composed by J. R. FLEMING.

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in the method.



**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****TONBRIDGE DISTRICT MEETING.**

A meeting of the Tonbridge District was held at Edenbridge on May 15th, and was attended by upwards of 40 members, including Messrs. I. Emery (Bromley), W. Hewett (Camberwell), D. Wright (Croydon). Ringing took place during the afternoon, Stedman being the principal order of the day. The members attended a special service, the Vicar (the Rev. F. W. Edwards) officiating. The Association form was used and the Vicar gave a short address. After service the members adjourned to the Church House, where an excellent tea was kindly provided by the Vicar.

The business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding.—The District Secretary reported that a young band of ringers had been formed at Staplehurst, the members of which were to be elected as probationers that day. They had applied for an instructor, and Mr. C. H. Sone, of Linton, had undertaken the task.—Sixteen new members (including the Staplehurst Band) were elected and the election of Mr. W. C. Hart, of Brighton, as a non-resident life member, was confirmed.

The District Secretary also reported that the combined practice for Double Norwich which was arranged at Tonbridge recently proved a failure, only six members turning up, although he had sent post cards announcing the meeting to all the surrounding towers. After some discussion as to the desirability of arranging another practice, it was decided to hold one at Tonbridge for Wednesday June 9th, at 6 p.m., when it is hoped that members will make an effort to attend and thus prepare the way for other united practices in the higher methods. This District Secretary also announced that a short explanatory pamphlet on the method had been prepared by Mr. F. White, of Tunbridge Wells, for sale at 6d. each, the proceeds to be devoted to the Association War Memorial.

The District Secretary also announced that the next meeting of the district would be held (by kind invitation of the Rev. G. C. E. Ryley, Vicar) at East Peckham, in July.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells for arranging and officiating at the service and for generously entertaining the members to tea, to Mrs. J. W. Steddy, and the other ladies who so kindly waited upon them at tea, and to Mr. J. W. Steddy for making the arrangements for such an enjoyable meeting, concluded the business, and the members again adjourned to the tower when touches in various methods, including several touches of Double Norwich, were rung.

A collection at the meeting for St. Dunstan's Hostel realised 15s.

**WINCHESTER GUILD.****YORKTOWN DISTRICT MEETING.**

Ottershaw Church, Surrey, standing high on one of the pine-clad hills which abound in the district, was the venue of the quarterly meeting of the Yorktown District of the Winchester Guild on Saturday, May 22nd. The tower contains a capital peal of six, with a 16½ cwt. tenor, but owing to the distance from town or railway, those who visit Ottershaw for ringing are mostly cyclists. The attendance was smaller than the usual number who pedal to the village, but no doubt the Whitsun holiday had a lot to do with this. Ringing took place during the afternoon, and the Guild form of service was held in the Church, conducted by the Vicar, while Mr. W. Shepherd presided at the organ.

After service, a move was made for tea at the Parish Hall, and full justice was done to an excellent repast. While the tables were being cleared, the Vicar conducted the visitors round his garden, which was much enjoyed.

The business meeting was not a long one, but it is interesting to learn that the district is performing good work in the shape of instruction and combined practices, as well as in other ways.—The next meeting is fixed for August Bank Holiday, when it is hoped to visit Yorktown, Hawley, Sandhurst, Finchampstead and Yateley.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for his many kindnesses, after which further ringing took place in various methods.

**GUILDFORD DISTRICT.**

A meeting of the Guildford District was held at Leatherhead, on Saturday, May 22nd, but owing to the holidays, only about 30 ringers put in an appearance.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. — Hobson), who apologised for the heavy 'go' of the bells, but said he saw no immediate prospect of their being rehung, although he lived in hopes.

The Ringing Master's report showed that good progress was being made, and it was resolved to leave arrangements for the next district peal in his hands.

The Secretary was directed to make arrangements for a meeting at Merrow and Oclandon in July, and to revive the pre-war summer outing at Rammore Common, Mr. Dobinson assuring the meeting that they would meet with a hearty welcome.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The dedication of the new bells at Cullompton, Devon by the Archdeacon of Exeter, will take place on Saturday, but the hour has been altered from 12 noon to 2.30 p.m.

The peal of Double Oxford Bob Royal at Surfleet was not the first in the method. The first was rung at Wednesbury by the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford on January 2nd, 1909, conducted by Joseph Pigott.

Mr. John Thomas has removed to 24, Suffolk Road, Ponder's End, Middlesex.

The first 5024 of Cambridge Surprise Major ever produced was rung at St. Stephen's, Westminster, in August, 1902. It was composed and conducted by Mr. Fred Dench, who, however, has lost all trace of the figures. For historical reasons he would like to recover them, and if any ringer who has the figures will send them to Mr. Dench, at 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden, his action will be appreciated.

## THE SIX-BELL TOWERS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—The remarks in your leader of May 28 are very true, and it is a certain fact that in the majority of instances, the six-bell towers are very much ignored by those fortunate enough to possess a full octave and over. I can vouch for this in and around Leicester, where not only are five and six bell ringers ignored by eight and ten bell ringers, but practically shunned. Some twenty years ago Mr. Wm. Willson did a great deal of good in this district, among the five and six bell towers, teaching and getting many hands through a variety of methods and peals. This however, was not supported, and consequently many members have been lost to our Association. I know in a number of instances where such members have been welcomed to the Association with open arms, principally for the sake of funds, and then left entirely to their own resources and ultimately forgotten. They have never received either help or encouragement, and have therefore, lost interest in an Association which is to them a mere figurehead and nothing more. Before the war I undertook to teach one or two six-bell bands, and had the satisfaction of getting them from one to seven method peals before I left. In this instance I had only the help or support of one solitary friend, and my six-bell peals with these bands were openly scoffed at by the Leicester ringers of higher numbers, who were very glad of my help to them in scoring their peals on eight and ten.

I think this case is but an example of many other districts, and it certainly is up to the Associations (as you say in your leader) to give more attention to their six-bell towers. Not only would they find support, but their individual strength of membership and funds too, would be definitely and materially increased.—Yours

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## 'THE RINGING WORLD.'

WHAT ALDERSHOT HAS DONE.

Several members of the Central Council spoke with emphasis at the meeting at Northampton upon the fact that the ringers' only journal, 'The Ringing World,' was not supported as it ought to be.—The Rev. H. Law James said it was a scandal that so many towers took only one copy for the whole band.

Needless to say, we endorse this view, and much more could be done in the interests of readers if every reader were a subscriber.

In connection with this matter, an interesting point was made by Mr. J. Mann, speaking at a Winchester Guild gathering at Aldershot the other day. He said they could only expect to see an improvement in 'The Ringing World' if there was a greater sale for it. Ringing Masters had, from time to time, impressed on the members the necessity of increasing the circulation, but that did not appear to have had sufficient effect. He saw no reason, however, why the Church authorities should not be asked to assist in the matter. They paid their organist and choir, and even the boy who pumped wind into the organ, but very little was done for the ringers. He had asked his own Vicar if he could see his way to subscribe for eight copies of 'The Ringing World' weekly, and he (the Vicar) had consented to do so. By gaining that point he considered he had got in the 'thin end of the wedge,' and he thought it was up to all ringers to assist in driving it home, because if Aldershot Church authorities could subscribe for as many copies as there were bells in the tower, all other Church authorities could do the same, and ringers would then get a paper which would be interesting to learners as well as to advanced ringers.

## EX-SERVICE MEN'S PROGRESS.

An interesting record marking the progress of ex-Service men comes from Chippenham, Wilts. On Whit-Sunday, for morning service, 1152 Kent Treble Bob Major was rung: A. Dale 1, F. Pearce 2, R. Pearce 3, P. Lambeth 4, E. Perry 5, L. Ambrose 6, W. Hulbert 7, S. Wiltshire (conductor) 8. All these men are regular Sunday service ringers at the church, and learned to handle and ring a bell in the same tower. The ringers of 2, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 are ex-service men, and have learned the method since Christmas. We look for a peal shortly.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

### INTERESTING MEETING AT NORTHAMPTON.

The third session of the tenth Council, actually the 28th annual meeting, was held in the Town Hall, Northampton, on Whitsun Tuesday. There was an attendance of sixty members, a number well up to the average of provincial gatherings. The President (the Rev. A. H. F. Boughy) was in the chair, and the following representatives were present:—

Ancient Society of College Youths: Mr. T. Faulkner.  
 Royal Cumberland Youths: Mr. J. Parker.  
 Bedfordshire Association: Canon W. W. C. Baker.  
 Chester Diocesan Guild: Rev. A. T. Beeston, Messrs. H. S. Brocklebank and R. T. Holding.  
 Central Northants Association: Messrs. F. Wilford and W. Perkins.  
 Devonshire Guild: Rev. Maitland Kelly.  
 Dudley and District Guild: Mr. W. Rock Small.  
 Essex Association: Mr. W. J. Novard.  
 Hertford County Association: Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt Drake.  
 Kent County Association: Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, Messrs. T. Groombridge, M. Burnett.  
 Ladies' Guild: Miss E. K. Parker.  
 Lancashire Association: Canon Elsee, Messrs. J. H. Banks, W. E. Wilson and J. R. Taylor.  
 Leeds and District: Mr. P. J. Johnson.  
 Lincoln Diocesan Guild: Rev. H. Law James, Messrs. G. Chester, J. W. Seamer and R. Richardson.  
 London County Association: Mr. E. A. Young.  
 Middlesex County Association: Messrs. A. T. King, I.S.O., and J. R. Sharrman.  
 Midland Counties: Mr. W. E. White.  
 Norwich and Ipswich Association: Rev. H. Drake, Messrs. G. P. Burton and A. L. Coleman.  
 Oxford Diocesan Guild: Canon G. F. Coleridge, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Messrs. F. Hoppood and J. Evans.  
 Peterborough and District Association: Mr. R. Narborough.  
 Salisbury Diocesan Guild: Rev. F. L. Edwards and Mr. T. Hervey Beams.  
 St. Martin's Guild for Diocese of Birmingham: Mr. W. H. Godden.  
 Stafford Archdeaconry Society: Messrs. H. Knight and W. Fisher.  
 Surrey Association: Messrs. C. F. Johnston and C. Dean.  
 Warwickshire Association: Messrs. H. Argyll and A. Roberts.  
 Winchester Guild: Rev. C. E. Matthews, Messrs. G. Williams, A. H. Pulling and W. Shepherd.  
 Worcestershire Association: Messrs. A. E. Parsons, W. Short and T. J. Salter.  
 Yorkshire Association: Messrs. G. Bolland and J. Cotterell.  
 Hon. Members: Messrs. J. S. Pritchett, H. W. Wilde and J. George, and the Rev. C. D. P. Davies (hon. secretary and treasurer).

### A MAYORAL WELCOME.

An official welcome was given to the members by the Mayor of Northampton (Councillor F. Kilby), who, in an interesting speech, referred to Northampton's historic past and its importance in the present as an industrial centre. Northampton, he pointed out, had been the meeting-place of Parliaments and the residence of kings and the scene of many stirring events in history. They were also proud of their municipal record for he was the 731st Mayor in direct succession. He mentioned that his first recollection of bells was seeing the great bell of St. Paul's Cathedral pass through the streets of Northampton on its way from the foundry at Loughborough to London. He was not sufficiently well versed in bells to know whether they had particularly good bells in Northampton, but he knew they had peals of bells, and they heard them frequently, and with a great deal of pleasure (hear, hear). He hoped the visit of the Council would be a pleasure to the members, and that their deliberations would be profitable (applause).

The President said, although a formal vote would come later they could not let the Mayor depart without expressing to him how highly they appreciated his kindness, and the honour he had done them in allowing them to meet in that chamber, and in gracing their meeting with his presence. They felt the great dignity of meeting in such a town as Northampton. He was not born in Northampton himself—but he did the next best thing, and when he wanted a wife he selected one from Northampton (applause).

The Mayor then left, and the business of the agenda was commenced.

The minutes of the meeting at Gloucester, having been published in the 'Ringing World,' were taken as read, and confirmed. Arising out of them the Hon. Secretary said he had received a very nice letter from Mrs. J. W. Taylor, in reply to a vote of condolence with her passed at the last meeting.

The President said the Council's address to the King on the termination of the war, was first of all formally acknowledged, and later came a most gracious reply that the King was much touched by it, was glad to receive it, and returned his thanks for it (applause).

The President also said in reference to the roll of honour of fallen ringers which secretaries had been requested to send in, they had received the names from all the affiliated societies except the Surrey, the North Notts and the North Wales Associations. It was proposed to read the roll at 12 o'clock noon, at which hour, by the kindness of the hon. secretary of the Central Northants Association, it had been arranged that bells should be tolled for a short space at some of the principal churches of the town.

The Secretary announced that apologies for absence had been received from the Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Mr. John Carter, the secretary of the Bath and Wells Association on behalf of all their representatives Mr. C. Edwards, Miss Gillingham, Mr. J. Griffin, Major Hesse, Mr. E. H. Lewis, Mr. J. W. Jones, Rev. C. C. Marshall, Canon Papillon, Mr. F. Willey, and Mr. Harry Chapman.

### INCREASED SALE OF PUBLICATIONS.

The Hon. Secretary presented the statement of accounts which showed the total receipts to be £66 12s. 3d., including £12 10s. from affiliation fees, and £16 12s. 3d. from sale of publications. The expenditure had been £2 16s. 8d., which left a balance to carry forward of £63 15s. 7d. Referring to the amount received from the sale of publications, the Secretary said when they realised that previous sales had been about £2 per year—in one year they did receive as much as £4—they would see what progress had been made in the hands of the hon. librarian (applause).

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn presented his report as hon. librarian. He said that last year the Council adopted two proposals: first, that the Council's publications should be advertised regularly in the columns of the 'Ringing World,' and secondly, that parcels of books should be sent out to Associations on sale or return. He thought the Council would agree that in assenting to these proposals they did wisely when he reported that whereas since he had been librarian, the sale of books in any one year had never realised more than £3 10s., this year he had been able to hand to the treasurer a cheque for £16 13s. 2d. It appeared, therefore, that it would be wise to continue this policy, but at the same time he would point out that the fact that so many companies and associations throughout the country were starting afresh after the war would account for a large demand for the books, and should prevent their expecting the librarian always to be able to show as good a profit on the year's sales even if the policy were continued. The gross receipts had been £24 3s. 4d. (£14 13s. 8d. by direct sales and £9 9s. 8d. through the associations), and the advertising and other expenses £7 10s. 2d. The free value of the publications left in stock was £153 10s. 6d.

On the motion of Canon Coleridge, who had audited the accounts, seconded by Canon Baker the accounts were adopted, with thanks to the librarian for his excellent services.

The following honorary members were re-elected for a term of three years, on the motion of Mr. J. S. Pritchett, seconded by Mr. Beams, Miss Nellie Gillingham, Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Mr. James George, and Mr. H. W. Wilde.

The Hon. Secretary said he had to announce with pleasure that the Irish Association had again become affiliated to the Council, the representatives being Canon Scott and Mr. Gabriel Lindoff.

### A CENTRAL LIBRARY TO BE ESTABLISHED.

The President said the Standing Committee had met that morning, and there were one or two things that they wished to propose to the Council. The first was the question of a library for the Council. The idea of that started largely with himself owing to the fact that their late honoured president, Sir Arthur Heywood, left all his ringing books and manuscripts where he thought they would be appreciated, namely, to ringers, and he left them to one of the Guilds with which he was connected, the Cambridge University Guild, a bequest which was particularly touching to him (the President) as Sir Arthur entered the same College at Cambridge at the same time as he did. The bequest, however, was perfectly free, so that the Cambridge University Guild could do exactly what they liked with any or all of the ringing books and manuscripts. As the Guild already possessed copies of several, it seemed to them to be a good thing if the others could be used more widely than for their own necessarily small Guild at Cambridge, and the idea occurred that with the books of Sir Arthur Heywood they might begin a library for the Central Council (applause). They could start with a considerable number of his books and manuscripts and there were others who were prepared to add ringing books at once, and others again who were prepared to follow Sir Arthur's example and leave their ringing books to the library when they were called away. He had consulted their splendid librarian, Mr. Jenkyn, as to possible details, and he had kindly said that he would do anything that seemed to be required to carry out the scheme (applause). The Standing Committee, therefore, made to the Council the definite suggestion that a library of the Central Council be started and be kept up, that it be begun with the books he had mentioned of Sir Arthur Heywood and any others that might be given to it, that it be, at any rate for the time being, in the possession and keeping of the honorary librarian. The details of course would have to be left to somebody to work out, but the idea was that as many of the books were of very great value, especially to those

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who followed the more scientific side of ringing—would be composers, for instance—it should be possible for any ringer of an association affiliated with the Council to borrow these books. He thought in time the library would be very valuable indeed, and he hoped ringers would make good use of it. But if it did not turn out to be of such use as they anticipated it would be of some use, however little, and it could not do any harm (hear, hear). The President then proposed a formal resolution, embodying the recommendation of the Standing Committee.

The Rev. Maitland Kelly seconded.

Mr. T. H. Beams said the suggestion was an admirable one. Recently he happened to get hold of a copy of one or two books belonging to Mr. Ellacombe and judge of his surprise when he came across in them two letters of Mr. Hubbard's pasted in the books. They were most interesting letters, and it struck him they ought to be preserved, and it would be a good thing if there was a place where such things as this could be deposited for the benefit of the whole of the members of the Exercise.

The Rev. C. E. Matthews asked if it was proposed to add the various county histories of bells.

The President: The answer to that is 'Certainly.' There are some in Sir Arthur Heywood's collection, and some I am prepared to give myself at once, and others will come. I think it would add much to the value of the library if all books on ringing and church bells were included.

Mr. G. P. Burton asked whether the fundamental idea was to have a reference library or a circulating library. If they were to have these manuscripts, it would not be the safest thing to circulate valuable works as had been suggested.

The President thought the most valuable manuscripts and books would seldom be wanted to be sent out, but if they were required by any scientific student he thought precautions could be taken to safeguard them.

Mr. Burton said the reason he asked was that he loaned his copy of 'The Clavis' a year ago to one of his oldest ringing friends on the strength of his promise to return it in a few days, but he had not seen it yet (laughter).

Mr. Pritchett said it would be interesting to know how many books there were in Sir Arthur Heywood's collection. With regard to the loan of valuable books, there was a scheme among public libraries for sending valuable books from one library to another, and it could easily be arranged that any book that could not be replaced could be sent to a public library to be read there by the ringer who wanted it (hear, hear).

The resolution was carried, and the Rev. Cyril Jenkyn said that if this scheme was to become a working reality he hoped that ringers who wished to consult these valuable books and manuscripts would make his house the library and consult them there so that they would not have to go out at all (applause).

The President said he was sorry he was not then in a position to say how many books there were in Sir Arthur's collection. Some were at Trinity College, Cambridge, and some in the possession of Mr. Law James.

It was resolved that the details of the scheme be left in the hands of the President, the Secretary and the Librarian.

The President said the Standing Committee suggested to the Council that a circular letter should be sent to some of the clergy in order to encourage them, and to get them to encourage others, to be bell ringers and efficient bell ringers. The President read the proposed draft of the circular, which laid emphasis upon the importance of the bells being well rung even if only in rounds or call changes, and pointing out that ringing afforded an excellent way of getting hold of and of improving lads and young men, both in the country and town.

#### NEARLY 1,000 FALLEN RINGERS.

At this point the proceedings were interrupted for the reading of the roll of honour it being exactly the hour of noon, and as the members rose in their places came the sound of the distant tolling of a church bell. The President read the list while the members remained standing, and so lengthy was it that it occupied almost half an hour in the reading. It contained over 950 names of those who had made the supreme sacrifice, many of them intimately known to those present, and the long list was proof of the great losses which the Exercise sustained by the war.

(To be continued.)

#### 'CASTLETON.'

A 720 of No. 17 of the 3rd's Place Delight Methods from the collection of Legitimate Methods was rung on Tuesday, May 11th, at St. Anne's Church, Denton, by: O. Claxton 1, A. E. Marshall 2, H. Bardsley 3, Rev. A. T. Beeston 4, W. Wilde 5, J. Heekingbottom 6. If the above has not been rung previously the band wish it to be called 'Castleton.'

## ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

### SUCCESSFUL GATHERING AT REVIVED DINNER.

The holding of the annual dinner of the Royal Cumberland Youths Society was resuscitated after a lapse of some twenty-five years, and a happy gathering of ringers with their wives and daughters, clergy, and Mr. Robert Warner of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry, met at the Old Bell Restaurant, Colburn.—Mr. J. D. Matthews (master) presided, and after dinner summed the loyal toast.

It fell to Mr. Warner's lot (appropriately—for church and bell are surely allied!) to 'toast' the Church, and in a few well-chosen words Mr. Warner showed what we owed to the Church. His speech aptly illustrated by the quotations, 'Prosperity to the Church' and 'Peace and Good Neighbourhood'—mottos taken from old bells—affirmed that a Church which could send out the type of Padre as its representative, which rank and file had met at the front, stood in no need of appreciative speeches.—The Rev. A. Taylor, of St. Bride's Church, Fleet Street, in response, stated that never more than at the present time was the need of the Church felt. He referred to the extremely pleasant people whose acquaintance he was continually making in the belfries and expressed the hope that ringers would consider themselves Church workers.—The Rev. Preb. F. W. Isaacs, of Cripplegate, also responded, and informed his hearers that, being new, he had not had sufficient time to discover everything in his parish, but he had realised that the parish had once possessed a bell foundry in its precincts, when Messrs. J. Warner's Foundry was in Jewin Crescent (since removed to Spitalfields). Mr. Isaacs spoke of the high opinion in which he held ringers generally, and mentioned several pleasant experiences he had had in their company.

In Mr. J. McMaster, churchwarden of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, who gave the toast of the Society, the company felt they were listening to an authority on bell ringers' lore. In racy language, he poured forth a wealth of detail of past ringers of London, much of which was very amusing and all most interesting. He gave proof of Queen Elizabeth's delight in having bells rung on each and every occasion, quoting the actual sums paid to the ringers on various festivals. Mr. McMaster dispelled any lingering doubts ringers might still entertain with regard to the 'Nell Gwynne' suppers, and showed that the 1s. suppers mentioned in the annals of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields referred to the sumptuous suppers of mutton that ringers were supposed to obtain for that modest sum, after their arduous labours were over, at the 'Nell Gwynne' Inn. Mr. McMaster rather reproved the society for altering the spelling of the word 'scholar.' As the Society was the child of the old 'London Schollers,' Mr. McMaster thought that the parents' honourable and distinctive name might have been retained.

The honour of replying to the toast was given to Mr. Ben Foskett, as the oldest member of the Society present, but Mr. Foskett said that he was in his position on rather false pretences, an older member than he being present in Mr. Chapman. In a speech of delightful simplicity, Mr. Foskett recounted his initiation into the mysteries of bell ringing. He related an adventurous prow over somewhat bogey-like graves one dark night and the trepidation with which he opened the church door to be shot into the midst of ogres who turned out kindly sympathetic ringers.

The toast of the 'Fallen Ringers' was proposed by the Master, and everyone sympathised with him when he remarked that though a short one, he had to accomplish the most difficult toast of the evening.

Mr. Frank Smith warmly greeted the 'Kindred Societies,' and spoke of the benefit and pleasure derived, not only individually, but also by the Societies themselves, through the interchange of the members of the various Societies.

To this toast Mr. Young of the London County Association, replied, referring to the many pleasant visits he had paid to the various Societies up and down the country, where invariably a kindly and sympathetic welcome was extended to him.—Mr. F. E. Dawe also replied, and mentioned the halo which surrounded the names of Cox and Haley, and recounted that a would-be or new ringer's position was always judged by his acquaintance with these names. Those to whom they held no meaning were beyond the pale of ringers' estimation. Mr. Dawe stated that Haley had originally belonged to one Cumberlands and had changed to the College Youths, whilst Cox, first a member of the College Youths, had afterwards gone to the Cumberland Society. Mr. Dawe suggested that the reason for the change lay in the fact that no one society could contain two such stars at the same time.

Mr. W. Ayre very cordially welcomed the visitors, whilst the Rev. Palmer, in reply, entertained the company with illuminating stories from the trenches.

The toasts were interspersed by several musical items which were thoroughly appreciated, whilst the courses of Grandshire Caters and of Royal on the handbells were followed with great interest.

The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths can be congratulated on the success of this initial dinner after the 'Interregnum,' and all present hope that the dinner is an augury of future happy meetings.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

### ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING AT COLCHESTER.

The 41st annual meeting of the Essex Association was held on Whit-Monday at Colchester, and was attended by representative bands of ringers from all parts of the county. This was the first annual meeting the Association had held at Colchester, and it proved one of the most enthusiastic in the history of the Association, ample proof being afforded that now the war is over and normal ringing conditions are being reached there is a great revival coming in the county. During the morning the eight bells at St. Peter's Church were kept in constant use by several bands, and other towers in the town and surrounding villages were also visited. Service was held at St. Peter's Church in the afternoon, the ringers' form of service being used. Canon Triffit Ward (the Vicar) officiated, the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, hon. secretary of the Essex Association, read the lesson, and a suitable address was given by the Rev. J. Evans, M.A., Rector of St. Giles', Colchester, in the course of which he dwelt upon the art of ringing as being a service to the glory of God, and urged ringers ever to remember the object for which church bells are rung.

### RECOVERING FROM WAR'S EFFECTS.

The annual business meeting followed at the Old Schoolroom, Crispin Court, which was crowded. Mr. G. H. Howard, Master of the Association presented his report for the year 1919, as follows:—

'My first duty is to refer to the marked progress which has been shown by our association in the first completed year of peace. My anticipations last year of a revival of interest in our proceedings have been more than fulfilled. The greater interest and attendance at our meetings has been very gratifying. Our membership shows an increase of 93, of whom no less than 14 are honorary members, including three ladies. In matters of finance our expenditure for the year exceeds our income by £5 15s. 4d., due very largely to the increased cost of printing and postages. We shall have to seriously consider means of adjusting our income to meet current expenditure. The subscription of 1s. a member can hardly be expected to meet our needs at present-day prices. Our reserve fund stands at £101 12s. 9d., but we ought to aim at meeting our general expenses each year and hold the reserve for propaganda and extraordinary expenditure. After a practical cessation of peal ringing during the war, I am pleased to record that 27 peals have been rung in methods varying from Minor to Stedman Cinques which gives proof of the return of pre-war enthusiasm. In belfry improvements I am glad to state the work which was held up during the war is now being put in hand. Already a new ring of six has been erected at Wormingford and a new treble added at Fryerning, and other improvements are in contemplation. Most of our members have now come back from the war, and they have showed such a spirit of enthusiasm that the revival in the work of the association is largely due to them. It is a great pleasure to be able to welcome their return, and we are grateful to know that the interest they are showing is having this effect. During their absence it was the great endeavour of those older members who remained at home to maintain the association intact pending the time when the younger members should come home, and in this the ladies who joined the association rendered invaluable assistance. Now we are glad to have the fighting members with us again, and their enthusiasm is most acceptable to those who kept the association going in their absence. I cannot conclude my report without reference to the untiring energy displayed by the honorary secretary, auditors and district officers in carrying out their respective duties. The large increase in members is a result of their efforts to restore the association to its pre-war position.

The report and balance sheet were unanimously adopted, and the Master quitted the chair during the election of Master which followed. Mr. G. A. Black, Woodford, being appointed chairman pro tem.

### THE MASTER'S RE-ELECTION.

For the office of Master in the ensuing year there was only one nomination, the re-election of Mr. G. H. Howard, Braintree, being proposed and seconded in several parts of the room, and, upon being put to the meeting, the motion was carried with acclamation, there being a marked testimony to the great popularity of the Master among the Essex ringers. Mr. Black announced Mr. Howard to be unanimously re-elected, and vacated the chair in his favour.

The Master thanked the meeting for the renewal of confidence in him, and he took it as approval of the manner in which he had discharged the duties during the past eleven years. The Master added that he did not look upon that office as belonging to one man, and said it should be open to those members who aspired to it. He had now been Master of the Association for eleven years—that was the twelfth occasion upon which he had been elected to the office, and the time had now come for the association to consider the appointment of a successor. If it was decided next year to have a change in the Mastership, and it was thought a younger man with new ideas would

be beneficial to the association, then he (Mr. Howard) should be pleased to give his successor every support in his power (hear, hear). Mr. Howard said he had been a member of the Essex Association since 1885, and during his term of Mastership he had received unlimited support from them. He thanked them for the enthusiastic way he had been re-elected, and assured the members that he very much appreciated the confidence shown in him (applause).

The Rev. H. T. W. Eyre was unanimously re-elected hon. secretary and treasurer, and in accepting the office, said if the Master retired next year he should retire with him, as they had an understanding to continue in office together. Mr. Eyre said he had held office for 30 years, and he was appreciative of the confidence shown in him.

### INCREASING ENTHUSIASM.

The Peal Committee was re-elected, as were also the representatives to the Central Council and the auditors. Mr. F. Jacob (Felsted) was elected an hon. member and 20 new ringing members were elected, including 12 from Galleywood. The Master said it was very pleasing to see the revival of ringing interest at Galleywood, in the Chelmsford district, as shown by the nomination of new members. They had admitted more new members at that meeting than at any previous annual meeting he could remember. In the report, the membership was given at 878, but others had been elected since the report was printed, and with those now proposed the membership must be getting near to a thousand. It had always been his ambition to have a thousand members in the Essex Association, and he hoped to see that ambition fulfilled next year (applause). There was a wave of enthusiasm for ringing evident all over Essex, which was very gratifying, and spoke very highly for the future prospects of the association. The association was rapidly growing and increasing its usefulness; it had already more than recovered the ground lost during the war (applause).

### THE WAR MEMORIAL.

Designs were submitted and approved for the white marble memorial tablet, with black marble border, which is to be placed in Chelmsford Cathedral, through the kind permission of Canon Lake and the Cathedral authorities, to the 45 members of the association who fell in the war. At the top of the tablet is to be a bell, followed by the inscription: 'To the glory of God and in memory of the members of the Essex Association of Change Ringers who fell in the Great War, 1914-1918.' After the names, which are to be in alphabetical order, without regard to military rank, will be carved the words: 'Erected by the Essex Association, 1920.'

In view of the greater expenses now incurred, it was decided to increase the present subscription of 1s. a year to 1s. 6d. commencing in 1921, and to ask non-resident members to pay 6d. each if they require a copy of the annual report. The subscriptions of hon. members is to remain as before. It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Walthamstow on Whit-Monday, 1921.

A cordial vote of thanks was passed to the Master for presiding. In closing the meeting, the Master said he should ever remember the pleasant gathering they had held at Colchester, and the enthusiasm which had prevailed (applause).

Tea was held at the Parish Room, the Master presiding. The Rev. H. T. W. Eyre proposed thanks to Canon Ward and his wife; Mr. H. T. Pye, and the wife of the churchwarden for the splendid tea they had provided for the ringers on their first visit to Colchester. Mr. Eyre mentioned that before the siege of Colchester, 1643, there were 14 bells in the eleven churches of the borough, and of those seven were by Miles Gray, who was at that period one of the most successful bell founders in the country. — The Master seconded the vote, and said they often found catering a difficulty, but in no parish they had visited had ringers been better looked after than at Colchester. — Canon Ward and the Rev. J. Evans responded.

In the evening the bells of St. Peter's were rung again in all the Standard methods.

### LADIES' GUILD.

A meeting of the Midland District for general practice was held at Evington on Saturday last, members being present from Solihull, Stirlley and Smethwick. Some good practice was obtained in Doubles and Triples and also a course of Major was rung. The thanks of the members are extended to the local company for their tuition; also to Mr. and Mrs. Preston for so kindly entertaining them to tea afterwards.

### THREE GENERATIONS.

In a date touch of Grandsire Triples, rung in 1 hr. 8mins. at Stoney Stanton, Leicestershire, on May 22nd, three generations of Briggs took part: W. Wright 1, H. Broughton 2, G. Wood 3, H. Briggs (conductor) 4, C. Brown 5, H. Webb 6, C. Briggs 7, W. Briggs 8. It was a birthday compliment to W. Briggs, and his longest length. The conductor has been a member of the belfry for over 50 years.

**SOLDIERS' BELLS.****RED-LETTER DAY FOR ALDERSHOT.**

On Saturday, following the dedication of the new 'soldiers' bells' at Aldershot, there was a happy gathering of ringers at the Old Parish Church from all parts of the diocese to ring and pass an opinion on the completion of the octave. Visitors came from Sandhurst, Camberley, Bagshot, Chertsey, Pirbright, Worplesdon, Guildford, Godalming, Cranleigh, Chiddingfold, Basingstoke, Farnham, Alton, Winchester, Binsted, Otlands Park, Hersham, Haslemere, Dorking, Puttenham, Hawley, Walton, and the Whitechapel Bell Foundry.

Touches of Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung during the afternoon, and the ringers attended a short service, and listened to an excellent address by the Vicar (the Rev. E. Garth Ireland), touching on the brotherhood and sisterhood of ringers as church workers, and on the use of bells. Afterwards in the Parish Hall, 65 sat down to a very nice tea prepared by the local lady ringers, who also waited on the gathering. Following tea, the Vicar extended a warm welcome to all, and explained that the two new bells were entirely due to the efforts of Mr. Mann, who conceived the idea and took upon himself the task of collecting funds for the purpose. The cost of the bells, together with the inscriptions, amounted to £148 15s. 4d. and Mr. Mann had handed him (the Vicar) the contractors' receipt for that amount.

The inscriptions on the bells are as follows:—

**'SOLDIERS' BELLS 1920.**

'These two trebles were erected by Soldiers in memory of their comrades who fell in the Great War.'

Mr. Mann, in reply, said that listening to the opening touch more than repaid him for the trouble he had taken in getting the bells. Expert ringers had informed him that the splice was an excellent one, and reflected great credit on Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and that was all that need be said.

The company were then treated to a good touch on handbells by Mr. and Mrs. Hazleden, and Mr. Melville, of Guildford, and Mr. William Shepherd, of Hersham.

Afterwards, the ringers returned to the tower, where touches of Double Norwich, Oxford and Kent Treble, Bob and Stedman, were rung. At one period during the afternoon the whole eight bells were being rung by lady members, many of whom are to be thanked for the way in which they have kept the bells going, and kept bands together while the men folk were away on active service. It will be a very long day before those who were present will forget the Guild's opening day of the 'soldiers' bells' at Aldershot.

**DEATH OF A YOUNG RINGER.**

After only a few days' illness the death occurred on May 5th of Albert Martin, at the early age of 14 years. The deceased was one of the young band formed at St. John's, Deritend, Birmingham, where two of his brothers were also ringers. He began ringing with a number of lads last August. He was of a very happy disposition, and showed promise of making an excellent ringer. His death came as a great shock to his fellow members, whose sympathy is extended to the bereaved family. The funeral took place on May 8th, and Mr. Fred Walker, representing St. John's Sunday band, acted as one of the bearers. In the evening an attempt for a muffled peal came to grief, but a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung, together with the 'whole pull and stand' 14 times by: W. Robinson 1, J. Neal 2, T. Miller 3, M. J. Morris 4, A. T. Scriven 5, O. G. Norman (conductor) 6, A. E. Norman 7, G. Yendell 8.

**MEMORIAL BELLS.**

On Whit-Sunday afternoon, a ring of six new bells was dedicated at Troutbeck Church, near Windermere, by Canon Irving the Rural Dean. The bells are stationary, and played from a manual—the treble being 2 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb., and the tenor 5 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb. The church was full of parishioners and Whitsuntide visitors, and the service was very delightful. The Rev. W. G. Jones, who is in charge of the parish, in the regrettable absence of the Rev. W. S. Unwin (an old Oxford Blue), on account of ill-health, assisted. Mr. Stabler, the parish clerk, chimed the bells immediately after the dedicatory prayers.

Canon Irving, in the course of an interesting and impressive address, spoke of the earliest bells as being quadrilateral and not round. He commended the parish for having retained their old bell which bears the date 1631 and the inscription: 'Jesus be our speed.' He recalled some of the historic events concerning which it had tolled its sad or rung its cheerful note, and he spoke of the practical uses of bells, and of the messages which they carried into every house in the parish every week.

The bells are the gift of Mr. Arthur Brook Dunlop of The Hown, Troutbeck, and his daughter, in memory of William Eric B. Dunlop and Laurence Lindsay B. Dunlop, who gave their lives in the war.

**NOTICES.**

**OLDHAM ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Miles Platting on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock for those sending in their names to J. Hall, 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—The annual district meeting for the election of officers will be held at Kingshorpe on Saturday, June 5th. Arrangements as usual.—T. Law, District Sec., St. Peter's Cottages, Weston Favell.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Westhoughton on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The June meeting will be held at Anston on Saturday, the 5th. Six bells. Kiveton Park Station, G.C.R.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Leek on Saturday, June 5th. Business: Division of Association; War Memorial.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Chipping on June 5th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. Tea will be arranged at a nominal charge.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Wootton Bassett on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (8) available 2 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—H. W. Bishop, Hon. Sec., Church View, Wanboro, Swindon.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Shenley on Saturday, June 5th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. at Shenley (6) and Loughton (6). Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.—W. Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at Chiddingfold (Witley Station) on Saturday, June 5th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Guild Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. All ringers heartily welcomed.—Mrs. Hazelden, Hon. Sec., Joseph's Road, Guildford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above Branch will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, June 12th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting for combined practice of Double Norwich will be held at Tonbridge on Wednesday, June 9th, 1920. Tower open at 6 o'clock. Will members of neighbouring towers please make an effort to attend?—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on June 10th and 24th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 15th; Southwark Cathedral on the 22nd; and \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 29th. All at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at headquarters and also on June 8th at 8 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.



**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Scarborough on Saturday, June 12th. The bells of St. Mary's Church (a fine peal of eight) will be available all day. Tea will be provided at a small charge, all applications for the same to reach Mr. H. Ferguson, Mayville Avenue, Scarborough, not later than Tuesday, June 8th. A short service will be held in the Church at 4 p.m.; tea at 4.30, followed immediately by a business meeting. Scarborough being an ideal place for a day's outing, it is hoped all interested will make an effort to attend this meeting.—A. L. Henderson, Hon. District Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mathew's, Stretford, June 12th. Bells at 3.30; meeting at 7.—W. Wolstencroft.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—All Saints' Church, High Wycombe.—A cordial invitation is extended to ringers to a Ringing Festival on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (12) available from 2.30 to 4.15 and 7 to 9. Service at 4.45, with sermon by Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop of Buckingham. Tea at the Church House at 5.30, to ringers who notify not later than June 10th, R. Coles, foreman, Priory Road, or George Twitchen, Hon. Sec., 17, Totteridge Road, Wycombe. Rev. F. Merivale Molyneux, the recently-appointed Vicar, will preside.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on June, 12th at St. Albans, Rochdale. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Guilborough District. A meeting will be held at Welford on June 12th. Bells available 3 p.m.—W. Bott, Guilborough, Northampton.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Arksey, near Doncaster, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Short service at 5, with address by the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford. Tea (1s. each) will be provided to those notifying Mr. George Clark, Dawood Villas, Bentley, Doncaster, not later than June 8th.—Arthur Hague, District Secretary, 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION** (Luton District).—The next meeting will be held at Linslade on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. All ringers welcome.—A. E. Sharman, District Secretary, 278, High Street North, Dunstable.

**LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Blaenavon on Saturday, June 12th, at 4.30. Tea will be provided.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Dursley on Saturday, June 12th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Newbury Branch.—The summer meeting of the above branch will be held at Bucklebury (station, Midgham) on Saturday, June 12th. Evenson, 4.30. Tea, 5. Preacher, Canon Coleridge. Will intending visitors kindly write to Rev. E. M. Thorp, Bucklebury Vicarage, Reading, on or before June 8th?—E. M. Thorp.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Weston-super-Mare on Saturday, June 12th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at Brown's Café, High Street. Will those intending to be present please let me hear by June 7th, and will all members who have not already paid their subscriptions for the current year kindly do so as soon as possible? The new badges may now be obtained, price 5/9 post free.—Edith Smith, 12, Auburn Road, Redland, Bristol.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Preliminary Notice.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Hagley on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service in the Church at 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Tea will be arranged for, of which further notice will be given.—E. J. Dowler, 11, St. Edward's Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-east Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bickleigh (six bells), three miles from Tiverton, on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4.45. Tea (1/- each) in Rectory Grounds at 5.15. Names for tea must be sent to me by June 14th.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Stoke Bishop on Saturday, June 19th. Bells open from 5 o'clock.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—Combined practice will be held on Tuesday, June 22nd, at St. Mary's Church, Barnes, at 8 p.m. All ringers invited.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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A meeting of the Northern District was held at Knebworth, on Saturday, May 22nd, ringers being present from Hitchin, North Mymms, Barnet, Tottenham Luton and Baldock. The Rector (the Rev. G. A. Jackson) conducted a bright service in the church. In a short address he took for his text the words from St. Paul: 'Yea, woe is unto me if I preach not the Gospel.' These words he said, are inscribed in Latin on the great bell of St. Paul's Cathedral; they were selected by the late Canon Liddon; and it was the duty of bell ringers to preach the Gospel of the bells, which was their calling.

Tea at the Lytton Arms was followed by a business meeting at which two new members were elected, and a vote of condolence was passed with their old friend and steeplekeeper, Mr. John Dennis, upon the loss of his devoted daughter who was laid to rest only a few days previously.

Thanks were returned to the Rector for his stirring address, and for the use of the bells the ringers wishing him health and happiness in his new sphere of work, and regretting his removal from the list of honorary members.

Touques of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major, Treble Bob Major, Steedman Triples and Double Norwich ended in a very pleasant afternoon.



**DATE TOUCHES.**

At Maldon, Essex, on Friday, May 7th, in one hour and seven minutes, at St. Mary's Church, a date touch of 1920 changes, comprising 240 each of Plain Bob and Double Court, and 720 each of Woodbine and Oxford Treble Bob: A. J. Peake 1, Miss A. Waldoek 2, R. J. Orth 3, S. C. Card 4, A. South (conductor) 5, H. J. Mansfield 6. \* Longest length.

At Aldershot, on Saturday, May 8th, a date touch of Minor (1920 changes), being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, 360 Plain Bob and 120 Oxford Single Bob, was rung by: James Mann 1, Miss A. Mills 2, Miss B. Mills 3, Sam Petter 4, Ernest Newell 5, Sergt. G. Gilbert, R.E. (conductor), 6. This was the longest length by the ringers of 2 and 3. S. Petter was from Worpleston, E. Newell from Binsted, and the rest are of the local band.

At St. Edmund's Church, Northampton, on Sunday, May 9th, 1920, Double Norwich Court Bob Major, in 1 hr. 14 mins.: J. Mackey 1, S. J. Lawrence (composer and conductor) 2, J. W. Sharp 3, W. Rogers 4, J. W. Metherell 5, B. O. Soden 6, J. T. Hensman 7, W. J. Allen 8.

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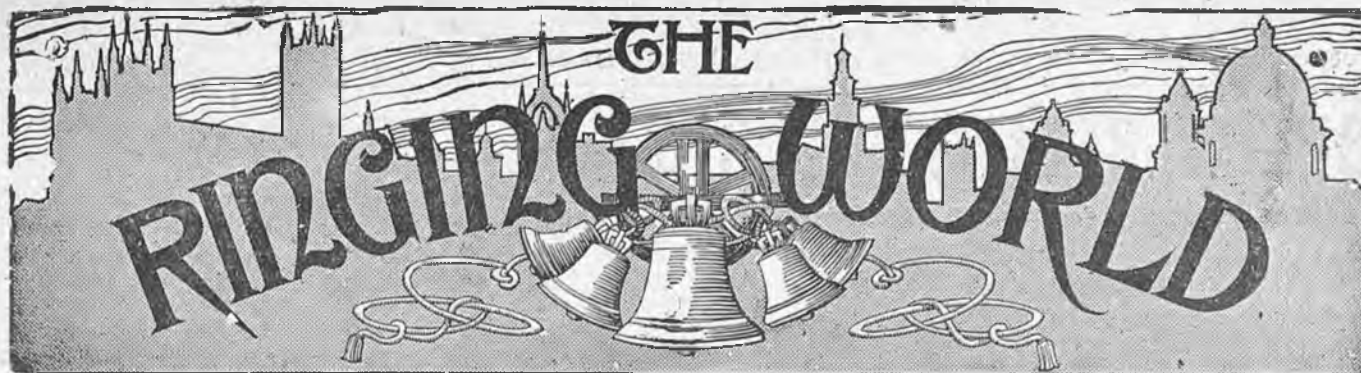
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### COUNCIL'S PUBLICATION DIFFICULTIES.

Not the least of the difficulties which confronted the Central Council at their Whitsuntide meeting was a financial one. Last year both the Peals Collection Committee and the Methods Committee reported that they were ready to print further sections of their work, and it was hoped that by the time the Council met at Northampton one or other would at least be in hand, preference, by priority or resolution, having been given to the former. The rise in the cost of production, however, has been such that the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, in whose discretion the matter has been placed, found it necessary to take counsel with the Standing Committee, and, as a result, it was decided that, for the present, printing on the scale proposed was out of the question, as one publication alone would swallow up all the available funds. Consequently the printing of both the Treble Bob compositions and the Plain Major Methods, which are ready for the Press, are shelved indefinitely.

With the facts before them, the Council, at their meeting, could find no other practical alternative, although various suggestions were put forward. It is quite certain that it will be a considerable time before, if ever, there is any considerable reduction in the cost of printing — the present tendency is all in the opposite direction — so that the Council must look forward to long delay in publishing any further works unless, in our opinion, they adopt one or both of two courses of action. The first line open to them is to increase their available funds by raising their affiliation fees. All the while the Council merely draw upon their funds for the expenses of their meetings, the half-crown affiliation fee is sufficient for their needs, and it is out of the accumulation of these moneys that from time to time the various publications of the Council have been printed. Extra funds could be obtained if the Council substantially increased the fees, but even then it might be several years before the nest-egg was considered sufficient to warrant launching out. There is, moreover, another side to the question. The Council, while not seeking to make profits on its publications, expects to cover costs by the time an edition is sold out, but when the cost of production is so high, the selling price would have to be such as might very probably considerably limit the sales, and the result would be a bad investment for the Council from a commercial point of view. If, of course, they are prepared to be philanthropic and to subsidise future publications, that would be a different matter; but, judged as an investment, a necessarily high-priced article might not sell to a degree at all com-

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mensurate with the outlay of time (given voluntarily by the responsible committee) bestowed upon preparation, or the cost involved.

There is an alternative course, however, which might provide the Council with a way out of the difficulty, and that is to publish the two proposed works in 'parts.' By this means they would spread the cost over a period of time, say, three or four years; they would, while being committed to only a small portion of the total outlay, be able to gauge from the sale of the first part of each work whether the demand would justify continuing with the remainder, and, in addition, would-be purchasers would be called upon to make their expenditure by instalments, and would not thus be so much inclined to refrain from buying on account of the cost. On the score of the scope which the works, published by this means, would provide, there would be nothing to complain of, for, say, twenty-four pages of new methods or new compositions would be ample for use for one year, if the decision was to publish one part annually. We make the Council a present of this suggestion.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

ALFRED J. TRAPPITT ... .. Treble	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	*GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 7
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 8
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. NODDS ... .. 9
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung on Empire Day. First peal of Cambridge Royal on the bells.  
\* First peal on ten bells and in the method.

HULL.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

THOMAS S. MORTON ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. STOKES ... .. 6
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... .. 2	EDWARD RICKETT ... .. 7
H. NOBLE IMESON ... .. 3	HARRY RODMELL ... .. 8
CHARLES P. BRADLEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM MIDDLETON ... .. 9
ARCHIE STOKES ... .. 5	LEONARD RODMELL ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. REEVES.

Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

Rung in honour of Empire Day. Archie Stokes was elected a member of the above Association.

TEWKESBURY.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22½ cwt.

MRS. R. J. WILKINS ... .. Treble	JESSE GILLET ... .. 6
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 2	GEORGE R. FARDON ... .. 7
JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 3	ERNEST E. DAVIS ... .. 8
RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... .. 4	EX-SGT. J. WILLIAMS ... .. 9
CHARLES H. AUSTIN ... .. 5	CHARLES DYSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

Rung for Empire Day. G. R. Fardon hails from London, Albert Walker from Birmingham, and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wilkins from Bristol.



SAFFRON WALDEN, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, May 25, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5025 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

ARTHUR F. JAMES ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. PITSTOW ... 6
LEONARD E. PITSTOW ... .. 2	FREDERICK HOUSDEN ... .. 7
ERNEST A. PITSTOW ... .. 3	ALFRED E. PITSTOW ... .. 8
ROBERT A. STRONG ... .. 4	FREDERICK DENCH ... .. 9
GEORGE H. SPARROW ... .. 5	WALTER PARISH ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FREDERICK DENCH.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

GODSTONE, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

J. J. PARKER'S SIX-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 4 lb. in G.

*MISS PHYLLIS M. HOARE...Treble	HENRY F. EWINS... .. 5
FREDERICK W. RICE... .. 2	GEORGE F. HOAD ... .. 6
THOMAS J. COPPARD ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN... 7
ALBERT E. WOOD ... .. 4	WILLIAM T. BEESON, SEN...Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells.

SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.  
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Monday, May 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS-THE-MARTYR,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM OXLEY ... .. Treble	ROBERT WALKER... .. 5
GEORGE S. TAYLOR ... .. 2	JOSEPH W. PARKER ... .. 6
THOMAS H. NAISBY ... .. 3	ROBERT L. PATTERSON ... 7
WILLIAM T. ROBSON ... .. 4	HAROLD B. DITCHBURN ...Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. John Naisby, an old Sunderland 'Ringing Standard' and father of the ringer of the 3rd, on his 69th birthday. Mr. W. T. Robson, now of Liverpool, was on a short visit to his native town.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

MISS CISSY THORP ... .. Treble	SAMUEL STOTT ... .. 5
HARRY HEAP ... .. 2	BEN THORP ... .. 6
GEORGE HILL ... .. 3	ALBERT ADAMS ... .. 7
FRANK STONELEY ... .. 4	W. W. WOLSTENCROFT ...Tenor

Composed by JOHN THORP.  
Conducted by BEN THORP.

First peal in the method by Miss Thorp. Mr. Hill hails from Hoylandswaine, Yorks.

CHILVERS COTON, NUNEATON.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... .. Treble	HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 5
*OSWALD J. HUNT ... .. 2	ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... 6
ERNEST STONE ... .. 3	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... 7
WALTER HORTON ... .. 4	†DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE ...Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON.  
Conducted by DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. † First peal in the method as conductor.

LONDON.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WESTMINSTER,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 28 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 3	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 7
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.  
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

HINGHAM NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Treble	GEORGE MAYERS... .. 5
ALFRED WATSON... .. 2	FRANCIS W. NAUGHTON ... 6
CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 3	ROBERT W. COOKE ... .. 7
JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.  
Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Rung as a farewell peal to C. V. Ebberson, of Fakenham, who is leaving the district for Barnet.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

*JOHN W. SEAMER ... .. Treble	ALFRED WINCH ... .. 5
MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... 2	RUPERT RICHARDSON... .. 6
JAMES HOUGHTON ... .. 3	JAMES PARKER ... .. 7
WALTER PERKINS ... .. 4	JOHN R. SHARMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY.  
Conducted by MISS EDITH K. PARKER.

\* First peal in the method. Messrs. Parker and Seamer were made members previous to starting for the peal.

SWINDON, WILTS.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(SWINDON PARISH CHURCH GUILD.)

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr.

HERBERT W. BISHOP ... .. Treble	THOMAS ROBINSON ... .. 5
ALFRED LAWRENCE ... .. 2	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 6
ROBERT W. HYNTER ... .. 3	CHARLES J. GARDINER ... 7
WILLIAM G. LANCASTER ... 4	JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 15½ cwt.

FREDERICK S. SANDERS ... .. Treble	JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 5
JONATHAN PRESTON ... .. 2	GEORGE F. GARRISON... .. 6
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. MEERS ... .. 7
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 4	JOHN E. PYWELL... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. MEERS.

Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. H. C. Spencer and Miss A. E. Statham, the bridegroom being a member of the above Society; also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. E. Preston, mother of the ringer of the 2nd, and to celebrate the coming-of-age of Mr. Stanley Dixon, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Dixon, of Silverbirch Road, Erdington.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.  
ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REEVES' VARIATION.

Tenor 23 cwt. in D flat.

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. Treble	*FREDERICK BOREHAM ... 5
STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... 2	EDWARD JENKINS ... 6
†LAWRENCE POULSON... 3	†LOUIS LEES ... 7
WILLIAM R. J. POULSON... 4	FREDERICK A. POULSON ... Tenor

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate Empire Day. E. Jenkins hails from Earl Soham.

DUNSTABLE, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE PRIORY CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt.

FRANK RAMSEY ... .. Treble	CANON W. W. C. BAKER ... 5
HERBERT L. HARLOW... 2	GEORGE W. HELEY ... 6
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... 3	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN... 7
PEARL INSKIP ... 4	HORACE H. SMITH ... Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR E. SHARMAN.

Rung in honour of Empire Day. The above was rung after meeting short for Double Norwich, two of the band missing a connection and arriving after the peal had been in progress an hour.

WINSCOMBE, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

THOMAS GRIFFIN... .. Treble	STANLEY CARTER ... 5
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... 2	EDGAR G. LUSH... 6
SYDNEY M. ABRAHAM... 3	WALTER FARLEY ... 7
WILLIAM G. NIPPER ... 4	*WILLIAM LEAKEY ... Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

\* First peal, and re-elected a member of the Association before starting.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

LEONARD F. BAILEY ... .. Treble	ERNEST F. POPPY ... 5
ALFRED KEEBLE ... 2	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... 6
JAMES M. BAILEY ... 3	CHARLES SAMPSON ... 7
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... 4	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Arranged for Mr. E. F. Poppy, of Eye.

LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 22½ cwt. in D.

*WILLIAM R. NASH ... .. Treble	GEORGE JONES ... 5
†DANIEL T. MATKIN ... 2	WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... 6
BERT RIXOM ... 3	WALTER LAGO ... 7
CHARLES R. LILLEY... 4	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN.

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal on eight bells. First peal of Major on the bells. The band were also all members of the Hereford Guild. The visitors would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Rector (the Rev. A. E. Lloyd Kenyon, M.A.) for granting the use of the bells; also to Messrs. P. Lane, A. Chester, W. Nash and D. T. Watkin, for making the visit a very enjoyable one.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, CLAPHAM PARK,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

EDWIN HORREX ... .. Treble	WILLIAM S. LANGDON ... 5
THOMAS LANGDON ... 2	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 6
CHARLES S. BURDEN ... 3	HERBERT LANGDON ... 7
WILLIAM A. ALPS ... 4	ALFRED JOYCE ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS LANGDON.

CAERPHILLY.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S.

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 lb.

PERCY JONES... .. Treble	VICTOR MORRIS ... 5
ALBERT ADDICOTT ... 2	GEORGE COOKE ... 6
ARCHIE MORRIS ... 3	FRANK BOUCHER ... 7
HARRY BROUGHTON ... 4	WILLIAM PIKE ... Tenor

Conducted by G. COOKE.

Rung as a compliment to the first Archbishop of Wales.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

COTGRAVE, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Kent Treble Bob and Single Court, two 720's of Oxford Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 17½ cwt.

*ARTHUR J. CHAMBERLAIN... Treble	FRANK SPENCER ... 4
HENRY W. WILDE ... 2	JOSEPH LORD ... 5
WILLIAM E. WHITE... 3	WALTER WHITE ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER WHITE.

\* First peal. Rung on the eve of the Festival of Whitsuntide. A. J. Chamberlain, of Southwell; J. Lord, of Derby; F. Spencer, of Radcliffe-on-Trent; H. W. Wilde, of Belgrave, Cheshire; and the rest of Cotgrave.

STOKE LAOY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 8½ cwt.

CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. Treble	CHARLES WEBLEY ... 4
WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... 2	ALFRED TOMKINS... 5
WALTER TAYLOR... 3	JAMES P. HYETT ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

First peal upon the bells, which have been recently augmented from four to six by Messrs. Taylor & Co. Rung, half-muffled, as a token of respect to the six men of the parish who gave their lives for King and country, and to whose memory the bells were restored. This was C. Edwards' 100th peal and 65th as conductor.

LITTLE WALDRINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 different six-scores. Tenor approx. 10 cwt.

HARRY DAY ... .. Treble	VICTOR CORNELL ... 3
HARRY CORNELL... 2	*LAWRENCE POULSON... 4
JAMES MARTIN ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by V. CORNELL.

\* First peal of Doubles. First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. Head, a ringer at this tower.

WRITTLE.—Essex Association.—On Sunday, May 30th for evensong, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise Major, in 50 mins.: G. W. Sorrell 1, F. W. Edwards 2, H. W. Kirtton 3, F. G. Radley 4, T. Lincoln 5, H. Head 6, W. Lincoln (conductor) 7, A. Head 8. This is the first quarter-peal in the method by an entirely local band.

## HAISE, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

WILLIAM CREWS ... .. Treble	JOHN WYATT ... .. 4
FRED POLE ... .. 2	ALBERT TOUT ... .. 5
WILLIAM CLAPP ... .. 3	WILLIAM COMINS... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. TOUT.

EATON BRAY, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting 720 each of Kent Delight, Cambridge Surprise, London Scholar's Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

*ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... Treble	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 4
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 2	PEARL INSKIP ... .. 5
CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. 3	HERBERT L. HARLOW ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES WM. CLARKE.

Rung in honour of Empire Day. \* First peal of Treble Bob Minor. First peal on the bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## EDMONTON,

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
At 82 Stanley Road,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

WALTER J. BOWDEN ... .. 1-2	JOHN THOMAS ... .. 5-6
WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 3-4	EDWARD KING ... .. 7-8

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

## BIRMINGHAM.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Wednesday, May 5, 1920, in Three Hours,  
In the Cathedral Belfry,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor size 17 in B flat.

GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 1-2	ALBERT WALKER ... .. 7-8
FRANK W. PERRINS ... .. 3-4	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... 9-10
JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11-12

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES. Conducted by FRANK W. PERRINS.  
Referee: ALBERT E. NORMAN.

Rung as a compliment to Miss Morris, daughter of the ringer of the tenors, on the occasion of her 21st birthday, and also as a birthday compliment to Mr. Albert Walker.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Eight Minutes,  
In the Vestry of St. Margaret's Church,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 3-4	*JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 7-8

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY  
Umpires: F. W. BAILEY and C. SAMPSON.

\* 50th peal in hand.

## HEVINGHAM.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION

On Sunday, May 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six-scores.

BERTIE DANIELS ... .. 1	WALTER C. MEDLER ... .. 3-4
GEORGE FARROW ... .. 2	HORACE BEAN ... .. 5-6

Conducted by WALTER C. MEDLER.

Witness: MRS. FARROW.



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## NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION. NORFOLK DISTRICT OFFICERS ELECTED.

A general meeting of the Norwich and Ipswich Association was held at Great Yarmouth on Whit-Monday. By kind permission of the Vicar (the Ven. Archdeacon Lisle Carr), the ring of twelve at the Parish Church were open to the use of members throughout the day, as also were by kind permission of the Rev. H. Edwards the ring of six at Gorleston-on-Sea.

The business meeting was held in the Priory Hall in the morning, the President (the Dean of Norwich) being in the chair, supported by Messrs. W. L. Duffield, and the district secretaries, D. Hayward, F. R. Borrett, G. H. Cross, T. Fitzjohn, A. J. Naughton, Mr. Charles E. Borrett, who very kindly deputised in the absence of the secretary, and representatives from Norwich, Bungay, Wrentham, Fakenham, Thetford and Great Yarmouth, some 30 members being present.

The President, in his opening remarks gave all those present a hearty welcome to—as it were—his 'native heath,' and very briefly gave a history of the beautiful old Priory Hall in which the members were assembled. He apologised for the absence of the hon. secretary (Mr. A. L. Coleman), who was attending the Central Council meeting at Northampton, and said Mr. C. E. Borrett was deputising for him.

A letter was read by the President from the patron, the Lord Bishop of Norwich, wishing the association every success.—Mr. Frank R. Copeman was elected to the vacant secretaryship of the East Angling district. The nominations of eleven new members were read out, and were declared duly elected and five old members were re-elected.

The members then proceeded to elect the officers for the Norfolk Branch of the Association.—The President, in opening the subject, dwelt on the importance of the duties devolving on those to be elected.—Mr. C. E. Borrett proposed the election of Mr. G. P. Burton, of Norwich, as their first Ringing Master.—This was seconded by Mr. W. L. Duffield, and supported by Mr. D. Hayward.—The President, in putting the proposition to the members, spoke in terms of warm praise of Mr. Burton's work for the association in the past, and also of his work in other church spheres.—The motion on being put to the meeting was carried unanimously.

Mr. D. Hayward proposed and Mr. G. H. Cross seconded, the election of Mr. A. L. Coleman as branch secretary for Norfolk, in addition to his office as general secretary and treasurer of the Association.—The motion was carried unanimously, and the following members were elected as members of the Branch Committee: Mr. John Souter, of Diss; Mr. John Godfrey of Fakenham; Mr. William L. Duffield, of Tharston.

It was announced that the general secretary held in stock a number of new reports for 1919, which could be supplied at eightpence per copy post free.

Mr. W. L. Duffield moved a vote of thanks to the Vicars of Great Yarmouth and Gorleston for the use of their bells, and to the President for coming over specially to preside.—This the President kindly acknowledged with pleasure and thanks, and the meeting then closed.

After the meeting other members arrived in the town and joined in the ringing, so that there were approximately over 40 ringers present during the day.

## NEW BELLS NORTH AND SOUTH.

Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, have completed the erection of the two new bells to complete the ring of ten at All Saints' Church, Gosforth, and have also completed the erection of the eight bells at Northam near Bideford, North Devon, where they have recast the peal of six and added two new bells to make eight, with a tenor of 14 cwt. Both these peals will be dedicated shortly.

Messrs. Taylor and Co. have despatched the ten bells to St. Giles' Church, Pontefract, having recast the eight and added two trebles. This peal is to be dedicated by His Grace the Archbishop of York on June 24th. A ringers' opening is to be arranged at a later date.

The small chime at Troutbeck, Westmoreland, the dedication of which was reported last week, were cast and fixed by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

## FIRST PEALS AND RECORD LENGTHS.

The Central Council has set up a committee to compile a record of the first peals in each method on each number of bells, and of the various record lengths which have from time to time been rung in different methods. The committee will value any information which can be given them to make their work authentic, and conductors who have called the longest length in any method, even though it may have been afterwards exceeded, are asked to send details to the Rev. A. T. Beeston, New Mills, Stockport.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

After 13 years of splendid service, Mr. F. Wilford has resigned the secretaryship of the Central Northants Association.

The time of the handbell peal of Kent Royal at Leiston, published on May 21st, should have been given as 2 hrs. 28 mins.

The Sudbury District of the Ely and St. Edmundsbury Association has re-elected Mr. A. Symonds as hon. secretary, with thanks for his admirable work in the past. At the same meeting four new members were elected.



## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

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When the business was resumed, the President, on behalf of the Standing Committee, moved that a circular in terms somewhat as those he had read be sent, in whichever way was considered best to the clergy of towers where there were bells sufficient for change ringing. He thought, perhaps, the best way to distribute the circular was that the Council should have them printed and sent out in bundles to Association secretaries to send to the clergy in their own areas.

Canon Helmore seconded, and Mr. Beams suggested that the circular should also go to the Bishops.

Canon Baker ventured the opinion that it would do more good if it went to the Archdeacons.

Canon Coleridge: Still more so to the Rural Deans (laughter).

Canon Baker: It might be sent to the Rural Deans with the suggestion that it should be discussed at their Chapters. It would be a good deal more interesting than many things we have to talk about (applause).

The Rev. H. Drake suggested that if the circular were to be sent out it should go to others besides those who already had peals of bells. A church with one bell to-day might not always remain like that. What they wanted to do was to get hold of people who thought of having bells and to interest them. He also thought some reference should be made to the care of bells. That might be put in a covering letter which should be sent out by the secretary of the Association forwarding the Council's circular.

The President did not think it would do to mix up an entirely different subject like the care of bells with a matter like the one they were discussing. The letter was long enough as it was.

Members were invited to send suggestions for the improvement of the letter, and the motion was carried nem. con.

The Standing Committee reported that they had considered the question of procedure at the Council's meetings, referred to them at the meeting, and suggested that the wisest and simplest course was to leave the regulation of discussion in the hands of the President. The Council last year determined that the question of compulsory powers should be referred to the Association, and they were asked to report to the secretary by the end of April. So far as reports had been received, no association was in favour of compulsory powers.

The Hon. Secretary said only seven associations had reported at all: Chester, Gloucester and Bristol, Kent, Yorkshire, Norwich and Ipswich, Oxford, and Sussex, and they were all against.

Mr. Wilford (Central Northants) said their association had met on the previous day, and their opinion was the same as the rest of the associations who had reported.

Mr. W. E. White (Midland Counties) said his association did not think it was desirable that the Council should have powers to enforce its decisions.

The President said other associations to his knowledge had passed resolutions to the same effect, and so far as he knew there was no association desirous of giving the Council compulsory powers.

Canon Baker asked whether, in view of the result of the referendum, it was not rather absurd that they should go on calling their resolutions 'decisions.' What he intended by his resolution at Gloucester last year was that the associations should be asked to say whether in their opinion, there should be a body which should say what are the rules of ringing. Apparently the associations did not wish that. He was glad the discussion had taken place in the associations that had consented to notice the thing, because it had cleared the air. It was now plain that the Council was a body for discussion and not for legislation and a great deal of the criticism of past years had been proved out of place. It seemed to him that the associations having definitely recorded the fact that they were to have no power, it was absurd that the Council should go on publishing what they said were decisions of the Council, because they bound nobody. The members of the Council were at liberty to go back to their own associations and deliberately break any decision they came to at that meeting. He did not regret the decision taken. The usefulness of the Central Council was that it brought them together once a year, and they saw a great many people they never saw at any other time, and they would miss that far more than anything else, perhaps, in the whole course of the year. — He was quite willing to go from one end of England to the other for the pleasure of seeing Mr. Coleridge once a year (applause and laughter), and whether the Council could enforce its decisions or not would not remove that pleasure (hear, hear).

The Rev. H. Drake said when they were asked as associations to discuss whether they should give the Council compulsory powers they were not asked anything about legislation at all. A legislative body was different from an administrative body. This was a legislative body, and would continue to be in spite of any resolution on compulsory powers.

Canon Baker: Can you have legislation without compulsion? You can in Ireland, perhaps, but not here (laughter).

The Rev. H. Drake: That is a different matter. That was not the question raised by your resolution.

Canon Baker: Do affiliated associations agree to respect the decisions

of the Council until they are rescinded? That is what was in my mind.

The Rev. H. Drake: That is quite a different thing.

A Member: Our resolutions are decisions, and nine times out of ten they are respected.

The Peal Collection Committee's report, which had been published in the 'Ringing World' was next dealt with. This report stated that the cost of printing the collection of Treble Bob peals would, at present rates, be between £100 and £125. The President said the present price of printing and paper made it prohibitive to print the Peal Collection, and the Standing Committee suggested that the Council should refer the matter back to the Peal Collection Committee, suggesting two alternatives, either that the printing should be deferred until it became cheaper, or that a number of copies should be typewritten to be kept in the library. By the latter course the peals would be open to any who wished to see them.

Various members pointed out the disadvantages of compositions typewritten by a person who knew nothing of ringing, and the Rev. A. T. Beeston asked whether it would not be better to have a fair copy of the peals written and put into the hands of the librarian, and to rescind the resolution to print the Treble Bob compositions. There was already a book of Treble Bob compositions sufficient for anybody who wished to call peals and there was other literature of the Council which really had a prior call on printing to this Treble Bob Collection.

After the luncheon interval, the President stated that Miss Parker, a skilled typist as well as a great bell ringer, was willing to give the committee the benefit of her advice and help, and it was, therefore, resolved to refer the matter back to the committee as suggested.

### BELL BIBLIOGRAPHY.

The Rev. C. E. Matthews, as 'convener,' reported for the Literature and Press Committee. He was glad to be able to say that he had had a successful interview with their friend, Mr. Daniell, and he had got from him, he thought, everything they wanted (applause). Mr. Daniell had given him various papers and documents, and they were extremely interesting reading. Mr. Daniell had done a good deal towards the classification of the work, and as far as he (the speaker) had been able to gather, his scheme had been to divide ringing literature under two heads, the earliest known records of change ringing and the rules of the old societies (as contained in documents in libraries such as the British Museum and the Bodleian), the names of celebrated ringers and the names of methods; secondly, to make a complete list of all the books published, both ancient and modern. He thought this section would give them a catalogue of something like 300 or 310 books. Mr. H. B. Walters, of the British Museum had very kindly offered to help in the tabulation of the bell literature. — He thought the Council should decide whether the committee was to continue in its present state, and what its future work should be; whether it should be authorised to publish and add to Mr. Daniell's notes. Apart from the consideration of cost, he was humbly of opinion that it was doubtful if a pamphlet on the subject would be read by the ordinary change ringer. It would probably be very interesting to members of that Council and to antiquarians. The Council owed a great debt of gratitude to Mr. Daniell for his thorough and devoted work, without which no committee could possibly commence such a record. The reason why they had not had all this information before was that Mr. Daniell had been extremely ill. He had had a very serious operation, and at one time was unable to answer any letters at all. This was the reason of the long delay, but they ought publicly to acknowledge his services of very careful research, and he (Mr. Matthews) wished to move 'that the sincere thanks of the Central Council be accorded to R. A. Daniell, Esq., for his useful and valuable researches into the history of bell literature generally.'—Mr. Young seconded.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett, in supporting, said he had had the pleasure of Mr. Daniell's personal acquaintance for many years, and could bear testimony to the great amount of time and energy he had expended on his literary labours in connection with bells and bell ringing. It was a matter of deepest regret that his health broke down in the way it did, and that he was not permitted to complete his labours. It would cheer him very much to know they had been thinking of him, and that they thoroughly understood how much he had done and the reasons which had kept him away from them now for a number of years.

Mr. King rejoiced that the cause of Mr. Daniell's silence had been removed, and that he was in course of being restored to health. With regard to the catalogue, he hoped it would be one so compiled that it would indicate in some way what the books contained. The difficulty was with many publications that they did not know where to look in them for any particular information they required. He wanted some help if he could get it, to form, year by year, a table of contents of the 'Ringing World,' so that they might know where to put their hand on anything. At present it was a hopeless task, but he would be only too glad, as long as strength and age permitted, to help to provide an index year by year, but if a few of them put their shoulders to the wheel it would not be a heavy task.

The vote of thanks to Mr. Daniell having been carried, the President asked the Council what was to be done with the bibliography. He was afraid from what they had already heard that it was impossible

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to suggest printing. He did not suppose many copies would be desired. Perhaps the work that was already done might be typewritten, and be deposited in the library and added to from time to time by the Literature and Press Committee. That would preserve the extremely valuable work that had been done, and allow for more work in the future being added to it.

Mr. Faulkner: Does that mean that it will never be published, but just placed in the library?

The President: Possibly the next Council, being either richer or more reckless, may decide to have it published. I think the present is an extremely bad moment to print and publish.

(To be continued.)

### RINGERS' MEMORIAL AT LINSLADE.

Four ringers of Linslade, Bucks, lost their lives in the war and on Wednesday, May 26th, a short service was held at St. Barnabas Church to dedicate a memorial tablet placed in the belfry. The first part of the service was held in the church. Afterwards the congregation went into the belfry, when the dedicatory prayers were said by the Vicar (the Rev. L. Lydekker). After the service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung, half-muffled, by: J. Sear 1, W. Jeffs, 2 C. Rollings 3, W. Dodman 4, A. Vickers 5, F. Dedman 6, F. Vickers (conductor) 7, W. Seabrook 8. The tablet was the work of the ringer of the tenor and Mr. A. Millens.

### THE JASPER SNOWDON SERIES.

To the Editor.

Sir,—It is with regret that I am compelled to increase the cost of the 'Jasper Snowdon' series of ringing books. The greater expense of production and postage necessitates the alteration as now advertised. I should, however, like to point out that free postage on receipt of postal order for the books will still be adhered to.—Yours truly,

Cartmel, Lancashire.

LAURA SNOWDON.

### LATE NOTICES.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual Festival Saturday, June 19th, at Leominster. 11 a.m., Divine Service, Preacher, Archdeacon Maude. 12 noon, business meeting in Church Institute. 1 p.m., dinner at Roach's Restaurant. Ringing at Leominster (10), Kimbolton (6), Eye (6), Kingsland (6), Eardisland (6), Stoke Prior (5), Bodeham (6). Those who wish to be present at dinner please notify me not later than Saturday, June 12th.—James S. Roper, Hon. Sec., Elm Cottage, Quatt, Bridgnorth.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Brabourne on Saturday, June 26th, at the express invitation of the Vicar (Rev. S. K. Lockyear), to celebrate the anniversary of the signing of peace, who also kindly invites all members as his guests to tea. Bells will be available from 2 o'clock. A special Service will be held in the Church at 4 o'clock. All members intending to be present kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, June 22nd.—C. Tribe, British School Villas, Tenterden.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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### DEATH.

**SYKES, D. F. E.**, of Tinsley House, Marsden, aged 64 years, on June 4th, 1920. At Huddersfield Royal Infirmary. Beloved husband of Mary Louisa, and father of Joseph Edwin Sykes.

## NOTICES.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above Branch will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, June 12th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on June 24th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 15th; Southwark Cathedral on the 22nd; and \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 29th. All at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Scarborough on Saturday, June 12th. The bells of St. Mary's Church (a fine peal of eight) will be available all day. Tea will be provided at a small charge. A short service will be held in the Church at 4 p.m.; tea at 4.30, followed immediately by a business meeting. Scarborough being an ideal place for a day's outing, it is hoped all interested will make an effort to attend this meeting.—A. L. Henderson, Hon. District Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mathew's, Stretford, June 12th. Bells at 3.30; meeting at 7.—W. Wolstencroft.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—All Saints' Church, High Wycombe.—A cordial invitation is extended to ringers to a Ringing Festival on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (12) available from 2.30 to 4.15 and 7 to 9. Service at 4.45, with sermon by Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop of Buckingham. Tea at the Church House at 5.30.—Rev. F. Merivale Molyneux, the recently-appointed Vicar, will preside.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on June, 12th at St. Albans, Rochdale. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Guilborough District. A meeting will be held at Welford on June 12th. Bells available 3 p.m.—W. Bott, Guilborough, Northampton.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Arksey, near Doncaster, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Short service at 5, with address by the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford.—Arthur Hague, District Secretary, 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Dursley on Saturday, June 12th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Newbury Branch.—The summer meeting of the above branch will be held at Bucklebury (station, Midgham) on Saturday, June 12th. Evensong, 4.30. Tea, 5. Preacher, Canon Coleridge.—E. M. Thorp.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION** (Luton District).—The next meeting will be held at Linslade on Saturday, June 12th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. All ringers welcome.—A. E. Sharman, District Secretary, 278, High Street North, Dunstable.



**LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Blaenavon on Saturday, June 12th, at 4.30. Tea will be provided.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Weston-super-Mare on Saturday, June 12th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at Brown's Café, High Street. Will all members who have not already paid their subscriptions for the current year kindly do so as soon as possible? The new badges may now be obtained, price 5/9 post free.—Edith Smith, 12, Auburn Road, Redland, Bristol.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Preliminary Notice.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Hagley on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service in the Church at 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Tea will be arranged for, of which further notice will be given.—E. J. Dowler, 11, St. Edward's Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-east Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bickleigh (six bells), three miles from Tiverton, on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4.45. Tea (1/- each) in Rectory Grounds at 5.15. Names for tea must be sent to me by June 14th.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Stoke Bishop on Saturday, June 19th. Bells open from 5 o'clock.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at West Derby on Saturday, June 19th.—Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A meeting will be held at Cottenham, Cambs (6 bells), on Saturday afternoon, June 19th. Will those who intend to be present for tea inform me by June 16th?—A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at East Retford on Saturday, June 19th. East Retford (10 bells), West Retford (6), Ordsall (6), will be at the disposal of ringers from 2 to 8.30. A meat tea will be provided at 5 o'clock at Howard's Restaurant at 2/- per head to members and 2/9 to others who notify D. A. Piercy, 60, Wharton Street, Retford, not later than Wednesday, June 16th. Members of kindred associations will be welcome.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The annual summer festival will take place at Bishopstone, Shrivenham, G.W.R., on Saturday, June 19th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Strawberry tea 5 p.m. Will those intending to be present notify the undersigned by the 16th?—H. W. Bishop, Wanboro', Swindon.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS** (Established 1882).—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Cotgrave on Saturday, June 19th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock, 1s. 6d. each. All wishing tea please notify Mr. W. White, Post Office, Cotgrave, by June 17th.—Thos. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

**SOWERBY DIVISION OF CHANGE RINGERS.**—Next meeting will be held at Heptonstall June 19th. All ringing friends invited. Tea at 1/6 each for those who notify me not later than June 15th. Bells available from 3 p.m.—Francis Robertshaw, 38, Northgate, Heptonstall.

**LAVENHAM.**—The annual ringing will be held on Saturday, June 19th, 2 p.m. Anyone wishing to ring earlier please communicate with A. Symonds, Lavenham.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting of the Western District will be held at Lightcliffe on Saturday, June 19th, 1920. Bells (8) available 2.30 to 9. Tea at 5. Business meeting immediately after. All ringers are welcome.—P. L. Cooper, Hon. District Secretary.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Wisbech.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, June 19th, at Soham, Cambs (10 bells). All ringers welcome. Bells available from 3 p.m.—R. Luthbury, District Secretary, Newmarket.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting will be held at Aldington on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available from 3 p.m. It is the wish that as many as possible will attend this meeting to arrange the annual outing.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Secretary, The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—The unveiling by the Master of the Guild (Major Hughes D'Eath) of the memorial tablet for the fallen ringers of the branch will take place at St. Peter's Church, Dorchester, on Saturday, June 19th, at 4.30 p.m. All ringers and friends are invited to attend the service.—C. H. Jennings, Hon. Secretary, Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—Combined practice will be held on Tuesday, June 22nd, at St. Mary's Church, Barnes, at 8 p.m. All ringers invited.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS** (Established 1623).—The 297th anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 26th. Ringing commences at 9 a.m. All visitors welcome.—R. A. Strong, Hon. Secretary.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Warnham on Saturday, June 26th. Bells available from 2 till 9. Tea at the Sussex Oak Inn at 5 o'clock. All ringers intending being present kindly notify me not later than June 22nd.—A. W. Groves, Div. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Saffron Walden on Saturday, June 26th (great ringing day). Bells available all day. Service in the church at 12 noon. A meat tea will be arranged for at nominal cost at 4 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present kindly let me know by June 24th, as catering is a difficult matter?—F. Dench, Hon. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Erdington on Saturday, June 26th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock, service in church at 4.30, to be followed by tea at the Church House (for those who notify me of their intention to be present by the previous Wednesday) and the business meeting. All ringers welcome.—S. Pigott, 41, Cemetery Road, Smethwick.



**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Canterbury District.—The annual District Meeting will be held at Chilham on Saturday, June 26th. Bells available for ringing during the afternoon. Service at 5 p.m., conducted by the Vicar. Tea and business meeting after. Tea will be provided at 3d. a head for members who send their names to reach me by Wednesday, June 23rd.—Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, Hon. District Secretary, Elmsted Vicarage, Ashford, Kent.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Annual meeting at Lichfield on Saturday, June 26th. Cathedral bells from 2.30 to 3.45 and 5.30 to 7. St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3. Service in Cathedral at 4. Tea at 4.50 at Lloyd's (late Seagrave's) Restaurant, 1s. each to fully-paid members, to others 1s. 9d. General meeting to follow. Please notify by 22nd inst. — H. Knight, Hon. Secretary, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Summer quarterly meeting at Barnet on Saturday, July 3rd. Tea to those who notify me by June 30th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.** — The quarterly meeting will be held at Loughborough on Saturday, July 3rd. Ringing at All Saints', Stanford, and the Bell Foundry. Tea will be provided for all members who send in their names on or before the 29th June to Mr. W. Pervin, 25, Ratcliffe Road, Loughborough. Committee meeting 4.30, tea 5, and general meeting after tea, in Fearon Hall, near All Saints' Church. — A. C. Wright, Hon. Secretary, Strathallan, Darley Dale.

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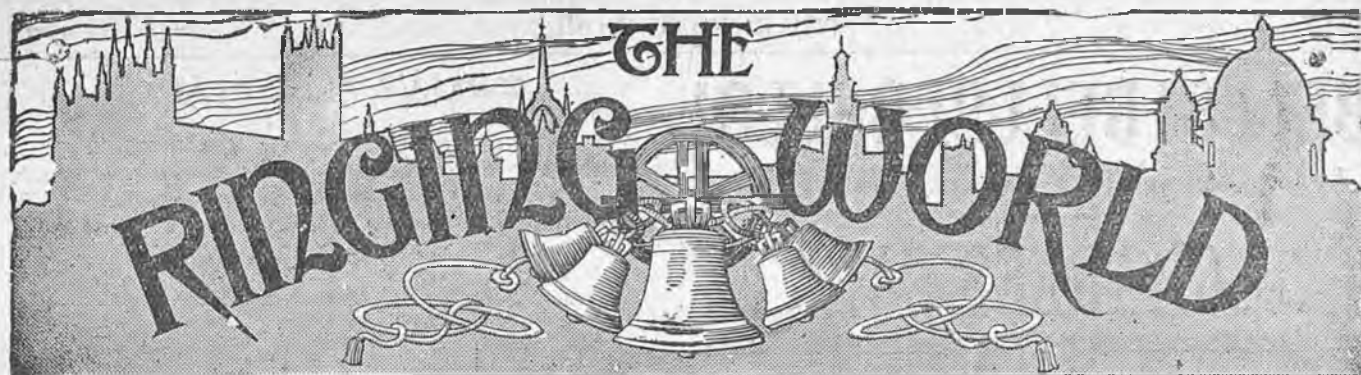
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### PEALS AND POINTS.

The one breeze that ruffled the surface of an otherwise absolutely tranquil Council meeting, was the outcome of the Rev. H. Law James' request that certain peals that had been excluded from the Peals Analysis on account of their late publication should be added to the records before the report and the tables were finally lodged with the archives of the Council, and the suggestion that the points allocated to the peals should be eliminated. The first portion of the request was a modest one, but it met with blank refusal at the hands of the chairman of the Committee. The compilation of the analysis is a formidable task, but in the interests of the accuracy of the record we do not think Mr. James' request was an unreasonable one. We fancy that any member of the Committee, with all the rest of the material before him, could make the amendments that would have been necessary without any great sacrifice of time or patience. But while the Committee have declined to do what was necessary, a happy solution of the difficulty was found by the President, at whose suggestion the Hon. Librarian—whose duties seem to be multiplying—will make the necessary alterations.

On the other point raised—the elimination of the points from the table—Mr. James found himself under a misapprehension as to the decision of the Council, and he did not, therefore, press this matter. His condemnation of the peal points, however, was not altogether without reason. The Committee have carefully and laboriously allocated the points to all the peals in the analysis but two, and these two, having been rung in new methods, are left without points, and, therefore, are not included in the averages of the Associations to which they were credited. We have always understood that one of the duties of the Committee was to fix point values; indeed, if memory serves us aright, one of the members of the Committee was added especially to assist in this branch of the work. But the Committee, having ignored the point value of these new methods, can scarcely be said to have completed their labours, and the omission to do so certainly detracts from the value of the analysis, so far as the points are concerned. We mentioned a few weeks ago that to award competitive points and then try and remove the competitive element from the analysis by arranging the Associations in alphabetical order, is only a half-and-half way of doing the thing, and if new methods as they are rung are to be altogether ignored, peal points will be reduced to a farce.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

IPSWICH SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 32 cwt.

JAMES MOTTS ... .. Treble	JAMES ROSE... .. 7
EDGAR PEMBERTON ... .. 2	CHARLES CATCHPOLE... .. 8
ARTHUR A. BOAR... .. 3	EDWARD EVANS ... .. 9
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM BURGESS ... .. 10
ROBERT H. BRUNDLE... .. 5	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 11
GEORGE SYMONDS ... .. 6	WILLIAM L. GARRATT ... Tenor

Composed by the late W. L. CATCHPOLE. Conducted by J. MOTTS.

This composition was first rung in the year 1855, conducted by the composer. This peal was arranged for Mr. J. George, of Birmingham.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, June 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5005 CHANGES;**

JAMES E. GROVES ... .. Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 7
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS... .. 2	THOMAS J. ELTON ... .. 8
HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 3	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... .. 9
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 4	JOHN BARBER ... .. 10
BERT HORTON ... .. 5	WILLIAM A. COOPER ... .. 11
WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 6	BENJAMIN GOUGH ... Tenor

Composed by FRANK W. PERRINS. Conducted by WILLIAM FISHER.

Rung in honour of the King's birthday.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WILLESDEN MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, May 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Treble	THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 5
*FRANK BARRETT... .. 2	†HARRY KILBY ... .. 6
†GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 3	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 7
†CECIL RADDOON ... .. 4	JOHN W. CORNFORD... .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT. Conducted by WILLIAM J. NUDDS.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Bob Major, also first peal in the method on the bells.

DEPTFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(St. NICHOLAS SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, May 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*FRANK WARD ... .. Treble	RICHARD RICHES ... .. 5
ALBERT FORD ... .. 2	WILLIAM DAYNES ... .. 6
REGINALD MARSHALL ... .. 3	GEORGE DAYNES ... .. 7
GEORGE HARRIS ... .. 4	*HERBERT BILLING ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE DAYNES.

\* First peal. This is believed to be the first peal of Grandsire Triples ever rung at this church by a fully local band.

SHOREHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THORSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

ISAAC EMERY ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON 5
PERCY J. SPICE ... .. 2	WALTER SMITH ... .. 6
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... .. 7
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE ... 4	GEORGE DURLING ... Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

This is the first peal of Stedman on the bells.



AUGHTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
Tenor 16½ cwt.

JAMES MARSH ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RIMMER ... .. 5
JOHN GARDNER ... .. 2	HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 6
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. ROBSON ... .. 7
THOMAS W. GILMOUR ... .. 4	EDWARD CAUCE ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.  
\* First peal of Major. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Gardner.

CHESHUNT, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb.

JOHN THOMAS ... .. Treble	EDWARD H. KING ... .. 5
GEORGE ANDREWS ... .. 2	GEORGE MAXIM ... .. 6
FRANK JELF ... .. 3	WILLIAM SABAN ... .. 7
GEORGE RADLEY ... .. 4	ROBERT SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SABAN.

\* First peal as conductor. Rung in honour of the induction of the Rev. T. H. W. Barker, M.A., Curate of the above church, to the living of Holy Trinity Church, Waltham Cross, which took place the same day.

BUARDEAN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION.

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in F.

ERNEST MATTHEWS ... .. Treble	JOHN CLARK ... .. 5
WILLIAM POSTON ... .. 2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 6
WILLIAM BISHOP ... .. 3	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7
JOHN W. SEAMER ... .. 4	GEORGE WILKES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

This is the first open peal on these bells.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM WHITE ... .. Treble	FRANK SADD ... .. 5
S. PERCY MERSON ... .. 2	FRANK MILLARD ... .. 6
ALFRED WYATT ... .. 3	EDGAR E. BURGESS ... .. 7
EDWARD LLOYD ... .. 4	JAMES HUNT ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by J. HUNT.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Bob Major. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Hunt.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... .. Treble	GEORGE FLEMING ... .. 5
ALBERT FLEMING ... .. 2	WILLIAM BURGESS ... .. 6
WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... .. 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... .. 7
JAMES ROSE ... .. 4	ARTHUR S. BOAR ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.  
No. 24 C.C. Collection. † First peal in the method with a bob bell. \* First peal in the method.

SHEFFIELD.—At All Saints' Church, on May 24th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, containing 1,260 changes, in 45 mins. was rung to celebrate the 5th anniversary of the conductor's wedding: W. Stubley 1, W. Hammond 2, F. Willey 3, P. Shuckleton 4, J. Smithson 5, A. W. Gladstone 6 \*W. Chown (conductor), T. Chown 8. \* First quarter-peal as conductor.

KNIGHTON, RADNORSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six-scores, ten different callings. Tenor 9 cwt. 32 qr. 26 lb.

*FRANK E. GREGORY ... .. Treble	FRANK EVANS ... .. 5
HENRY C. COLLYER ... .. 2	*JOHN EVANS ... .. 6
CHARLES MINTON ... .. 3	DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 7
WILLIAM R. NASH ... .. 4	ARTHUR MASON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES MINTON.

\* First peal. Rung with 4, 6, 8 covering. Ringers of 1, 4, 7, 8 hail from Ludlow, 3rd from Bishop's Castle, and 2, 5, 6 are local men. Mr. A. Mason was elected a member before starting for the peal.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, LEISTON.)

On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

LEONARD P. BAILEY ... .. Treble	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 5
ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. 2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 6
JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 7
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 4	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

LEICESTER.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt.

WM. H. HUMBERSTONE ... .. Treble	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 5
ERNEST BARTRAM, M.M. ... .. 2	HAROLD G. JENNYR ... .. 6
THOMAS H. VALLANCE ... .. 3	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. 7
*HERBERT W. NEEDHAM ... .. 4	R. HENRY BARTRAM ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

\* First peal in the method. 100th peal by R. H. Bartram, who also rang his first peal on the same bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4th.

HERTFORD.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN T. KENTISH ... .. Treble	H. E. C. GOODENOUGH ... .. 5
HUGH F. BALCOMBE ... .. 2	HARRY HOLICK ... .. 6
W. H. L. BUCKINGHAM ... .. 3	EDWARD WHITBREAD ... .. 7
WILLIAM NASH ... .. 4	DANIEL DYE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD WHITBREAD.

Rung after meeting short for Caters.

BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME, MANCHESTER.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

FRANK SMITH ... .. Treble	WALTER WOLSTENCROFT ... .. 5
FRANK STONELEY ... .. 2	LEONARD E. LAST ... .. 6
FRED PAGE ... .. 3	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 7
*THOMAS K. DRIVER ... .. 4	RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by RICHARD F. DEAL.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. William Rider, senior ringer in Birch-in-Rusholme, on reaching his 74th birthday. Mr. Rider has been associated with the tower since 1864. The peal was also to celebrate the first anniversary as Rector of the Rev. R. G. Parsons. Mr. Rider afterwards entertained the band to tea at his residence.  
\* First peal of Treble Bob.

**MAREHAM, NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Three Hours.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb.

*STEPHEN BULLER ... .. Treble	CHARLES E. NEWLAND ... .. 5
JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 2	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 6
GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 3	ALFRED WATSON... .. 7
JOHN MOY ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Major. G. Cross's 50th peal as conductor.

**BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.**  
**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

WILLIAM PALMER ... .. Treble	GEORGE LUCAS ... .. 5
HERBERT RANN ... .. 2	THOMAS STRINGER ... .. 6
JOHN FEIST... .. 3	WILLIAM WATTS... .. 7
FRANK BENNETT... .. 4	HENRY STALHAM... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE WILLIAMS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

**BORESTON, BATH.**  
**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 9½ cwt.

RAYMOND J. WILKINS... .. Treble	GILBERT H. HARDING... .. 5
MISS ANNIE BROWN ... .. 2	SAM HECTOR... .. 6
MRS. RAYMOND J. WILKINS 3	THOMAS F. KING... .. 7
PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... .. 4	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS F. KING.

**NEW ROMNEY, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
 (ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.)

*On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ALFRED JOHNSON ... .. Treble	ARCHIBALD C. KAY ... .. 5
CHARLES W. PLAYER ... .. 2	ERNEST HUTCHINSON ... .. 6
*C. WALTER EVERETT ... .. 3	HENRY C. CASTLE ... .. 7
HIGHWOOD S. HUMPHREY 4	GEORGE B. ANDERSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. PLAYER.

\* First peal on a bob bell. Arranged and rung as a Victory Peal for the Borough of New Romney. The ringers were kindly entertained to tea at West Lawn after the peal by the ringer of the tenor, Mr. G. B. Anderson, J.P.

**RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

*On Wednesday, June 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.*

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

*KENNETH G. SHELDON ... Treble	FRANK F. HILL ... .. 5
HERBERT DAY ... .. 2	HENRY GEORGE ... .. 6
ALFRED C. WRIGHT... .. 3	FRED W. HILL ... .. 7
*W. HENRY GEORGE ... .. 4	ALEX. HUTCHISON ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late SIR ARTHUR HRYWOOD, BART.

Conducted by FRED W. HILL.

\* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Mr. Alex. Hutchison and Miss Ida Harris, of Ripley. The band were very kindly entertained to supper by Mr. and Mrs. Hutchison after the peal.

**LOW MOOR.**—At Holy Trinity Church, on Sunday, May 16th, 720 of Kent Treble Bob: E. Brown 1, J. W. Simpson 2, G. Barlow 3, J. First 4, J. W. Emmitt 5, H. Simpson (conductor) 6. First 720 rung entirely by local band since before the war and since the bells were rehung.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

**ASHBOCKING, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Monday, May 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

ARTHUR S. BOAR... .. Treble	GEORGE BENNETT ... .. 4
FRANK L. FISHER ... .. 2	CHARLES E. FISHER ... .. 5
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	GEORGE W. ABLITT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

**BECKLEY, SUSSEX.**  
**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 13 cwt.

JAMES GOODSSELL ... .. Treble	JOHN H. EDWARDS ... .. 4
*FREDERICK MORGAN ... .. 2	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. 5
TRAYTON BOOTH ... .. 3	EDWARD MILLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

\* First peal of Doubles. All the ringers hail from Salehurst.

**CHICHELEY, BUCKS.**  
**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
 (NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.*

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London, Wells, Beverley, York, Canterbury, Cambridge and Newcastle.

HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. Treble	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 4
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 2	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... .. 5
HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 3	CECIL A. VALENTINE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES WM. CLARKE.

Cecil A. Valentine's 100th peal.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

**CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes.*

*AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. C. H. WEBB.*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 Six-scores. Tenor size 11 in G.

E. G. WEBB... .. 1—2	C. H. WEBB... .. 3—4
H. W. WEBB ... .. 5—6	

Conducted by C. H. WEBB.

Witness: FRED WILSON.

E. G. Webb is 11 years of age, and this is his first peal and first attempt; his previous longest touch being a quarter peal in the same method.

**LONDON.**

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Tuesday, June 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes.*

*IN THE BELFERY OF ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS, BLOOMSBURY.*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

JOHN THOMAS ... .. 1—2	WILLIAM PYE ... .. 7—8
MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 3—4	WILLIAM SHEPHERD... .. 9—10
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 5—6	FRANK I. HAIRS... .. 11—12

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

Umpire: A. W. COLES.

The above is the conductor's 100th peal on twelve bells.

**PORTSEA, HANTS.**—For evensong, on Ascension Day at St. Mary's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: J. J. Symons 1, Miss E. M. Burnett 2, H. Northfield 3, F. W. Rogers 4, E. J. Harding, senr. 5, R. J. Stone (first quarter away from tenor) 6, J. D. Harris (conductor) 7, E. Hardy 8. After the service, at the Vicar's wish, 504 in the same method, E. J. Harding, junr., conductor.

### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ROCHESTER DISTRICT MEETING.

The quarterly meeting of the Rochester District was held at Cliffe-at-Hoo on Saturday, May 29th, and was attended by over 30 members. The Rector of Cliffe (the Rev. A. T. Wallis) conducted the ringers' form of service in the historic old church and took for his text the words from the lesson, 'Let us wait on our ministering' (Rom. xii. 7). The organist also attended and brightened the service. At the close a collection for the Kent Ringers' War Memorial realised 13s. 7d. Tea was partaken of at the Six Bells, and was followed by the business meeting, the Rev. A. T. Wallis presiding.—The District Secretary, in the absence of the representative, explained what was done at the annual general meeting at Canterbury regarding the propositions contained in the minutes. Cliffe tower was brought into union and, on the proposition of the District Secretary, seconded by Mr. W. Harper the Chairman was elected an honorary member. Eleven new practising members were elected, and Borden was chosen for the annual district meeting, to be held on August 21st.

Mr. W. Haigh proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman for the use of the bells, for conducting the service and presiding over the meeting, and welcomed him as a hon. member of the Association.—This was seconded by Mr. W. Spice, and carried unanimously.—In responding the Chairman thanked the meeting for electing him a member, and said it gave him great pleasure to welcome ringers to Cliffe, and if in the future they cared to pay another visit he would like to entertain them to tea at the Rectory.—The tower was again visited during the afternoon and evening, and ringing in various methods was indulged in.

### DEATH OF AN OLD DARFIELD RINGER.

The death took place on Monday, May 24th, at his residence, Wombwell, after a long illness, of William Morris, at the age of 76 years. He had been a ringer at Darfield over 30 years.

He was laid to rest at Darfield on May 27, his brother ringers acting as bearers, and in the evening the bells were muffled. A 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor was rung by: R. J. Ricketts 1, C. D. Potter 2, Wm. Woodcock (conductor) 3, T. Johnson 4, S. Woodcock 5, C. Walsh 6. Touches of Violet, London Scholars Pleasure, College Pleasure, New London Pleasure and Arnold's Victory, were also rung, the other ringers taking part being W. Beavers, A. Gill, A. Panther and H. Chamberlin.

### DEVON RINGING FESTIVAL. PRIZE CONTESTS AT BARNSTAPLE.

To commemorate the rehanging of the fine peal of eight bells at the Parish Church of Barnstaple, which has been carried out by Messrs. W. Aggett and Sons, of Chagford, on their patent adjustable bearings and improvements. Sixteen sets of ringers came from all parts of the West to take part in a ringing festival on Saturday week.

Prizes were awarded to Buckland Brewer 1, Atherington 2, Marwood 3 for the best peal on six bells. The winners of the eight-bell contest were: Pilton 1, High Bickington 2, Pilton (2nd team) 3.

Great credit is due to Mr. G. Pearce, Barnstaple, for his excellent organisation. The tenor is 23 cwt., and all the ringers were highly pleased with the 'go' of the bells.

### SOLIHULL RECTOR'S BIRTHDAY.

The Rev. T. B. Harvey Brookes, Rector of Solihull, who celebrated his 71st birthday on Saturday, June 5th, is justly popular among ringers in the Birmingham district. He is always willing to place his bells at the disposal of a band desirous of attempting a peal, and takes a keen interest in the result of the attempt, for nothing gives him greater pleasure than to hear the bells ringing. In honour of his birthday the local band attempted a peal of *Grandsire Triples*, which was lost after 1 hour and 46 mins. excellent ringing.

### LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A well-attended quarterly meeting was held at Blaenavon (Mon.), on Saturday last. The bells a light ring of six, by Rudhall, were kept busy until the time fixed for the business meeting, which was held in a room at an adjoining restaurant, where tea was also partaken of. Members attended from Caerphilly, Caerleon, Newport, Llanfrechfa, Llanbradach, Llanelli, Rhymney, Trevechin etc., and, although it was a very wet afternoon, as some of the cyclists found to their cost, the meeting was a most pleasant one.

The Hon. Secretary reported that subscriptions were coming in very favourably towards the cost of the memorial tablet to be fixed in the Cathedral.—Several new members were elected, including Mr. F. Lade late of Sussex County, now of Pontypool.—A vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for his kindness and hospitality. The bells were afterwards rung in different methods during the evening.

The next Monmouthshire meeting will be held at Llangibby.



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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

The 9th of June was the 70th anniversary of the peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Philadelphia, U.S.A. It was conducted by Henry Haley, and was the first peal rung on the other side of the Atlantic.

The first peal of London Surprise Minor ever rung was at the Church of St. Giles', Killamarsh, on June 14th, 1919; it contained 120 bobs. It was composed and conducted by Charles Severn.

The 'Ringers' Opening' of the new peal of ten, erected by Messrs. Taylor and Co., at St. Giles', Pontefract, is fixed for August Bank Holiday. The dedication takes place on the 24th inst.

Mr. William Bolton, of Carlisle, has been presented with a framed photograph of the Pector and ringers at Alverstoke Hants, in recognition of his services in instructing a new company at the church. The bells were installed in November, 1919, and eight of the new members can now ring Grandsire Triples.

It is suggested that the Bedford District of the Beds Association should be divided, so that more help can be given to young bands. The district secretary is anxious that new towers should not be left in the lurch after they have joined the association, and the matter is to come before the next annual meeting.

The 'all conducted' peal at Gaywood, on May 17th, comprised seven 720's of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, not Plain Bob as reported.

The many ringing friends of Mr. Edward P. Duffield the hon. secretary of the Bedfordshire Association, will be interested to learn that he is to be married on July 31st. The bride-elect is Miss M. A. Willoughby, and the ceremony will be at 2.30 p.m., at St. Peter's, Sharnbrook.

### CHESTERFIELD CENTENARY.

HOW THE OPENING WAS CELEBRATED IN 1820.

To mark the centenary of the opening of the bells at Chesterfield Parish Church, a peal of Grandsire Caters was rung on May 22nd. Previous to the peal a photograph of the ringers, with the Vicar (Canon T. L. Shaw), the Rev. J. F. Amies, and Churchwarden Councillor W. Crossley, was taken. At the conclusion of the peal, the ringers were entertained to dinner by the Vicar, together with the two churchwardens, Councillor W. H. Edmunds (the Mayor), Councillor W. Crossley, and the Rev. J. F. Amies, who joined the clergy staff quite recently, and is himself a ringer.

After dinner, the Vicar thanked the ringers for their attendance that afternoon, congratulating them on having rung a splendid peal, and spoke of the pleasure it had given him to hear it.—The Mayor and Councillor Crossley also spoke fully endorsing the remarks made by Canon Shaw.—Mr. S. Thomas replied on behalf of the ringers, thanking the Vicar for his great kindness, and for the presence of the churchwardens on such an historic occasion. He also gave some very interesting details dealing with the history of church bells and campanology, and with the bell founders, who followed their calling at Chesterfield in years gone by, the Heathcotes and Oldfields, whose bells are still to be found in the northern towers, and which can be identified by the founders' name or initials.—Mr. A. Knights also spoke, and reminded the Vicar and wardens that the present peal had served their purpose, and were not in keeping with the beautiful church. He was looking forward to the day when the tower would contain the first peal of 12 bells in the county tuned on the latest principle, and then there would be something to enjoy, both from the ringers' and general public standpoint.

It may be of interest to know that on the opening of the bells in 1820 no less than six peals were rung upon them in three days, viz., 5,147 Grandsire Caters by the Oldham Society, 5,003 Grandsire Caters by the Sheffield Parish Church company, and 5,120 Treble Bob Royal by a mixed band. This was on the first day. On the second day the Ashton-under-Lyne ringers rang a peal, and on the third day the Nottingham ringers rang 5,764 Grandsire Caters and the Mottram ringers also rang a peal of Grandsire Caters. The peal of Treble Bob Royal is in Snowden's 'Treatise on Treble Bob'—composer unknown—but has since been found to be the composition of Mr. J. Tabbs of Leeds. History does not say how the majority of ringers came to Chesterfield but it is known that the men of Notts walked the whole distance, a matter of about 26 miles for their peal, and it is to be conjectured that the retreating order was not in vogue on the return journey.

### TRIBUTE TO A SOLDIER.

At Cotgrave, Notts, on the occasion of the interment of Walter Henstock, aged 22, who fought in the great war, the 'whole pull and stand' was rung with the bells half-muffled, several of his soldier friends taking part, and in the evening a quarter-peal of 1,260 changes of Bob Minor was rung by the following band: James H. Burton 1, Frank Spencer 2, — Loach 3, David Burton 4, William F. White, 5, Waller White (conductor) 6, as a mark of respect to the memory of one of the gallant men to whom we in this country owe so much.

**RUARDEAN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**—On Sunday, May 30th, half-muffled, for morning service, to the memory of the late Mrs. A. C. Wilks, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 51 mins.: J. W. Seamer 1, J. Harper 2, J. Bishop 3, L. Nemes 4, J. E. Groves (conductor) 5, J. Clark 6, W. Bishop 7, R. Richardson 8.



## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

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### AN OLD RINGER'S LABORIOUS WORK.

Mr. Faulkner said he should like to see the bibliography published. What would cheer Mr. Daniel most would be that the work was appreciated by the whole Exercise and that could only be done if it were published in book form. He did not agree that many copies would not be wanted. He knew of a case where an old ringer borrowed a copy of the 'Church Bells of Essex,' and copied the whole of it into a foolscap book. It took him two years to do it. He quoted this to show what an interest the ordinary ringer took in antiquarian things.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn asked whether it would be possible to make arrangement with the 'Ringing World' to publish certain extracts.

The Rev. C. E. Matthews said he thought this could be done, but his duty was merely that of 'convener' of the meeting, and to get hold of the papers. He did not think he was a permanent member of the committee.

The Hon. Secretary: Oh yes.

The Rev. C. E. Matthews said he was not aware of that. He thought the catalogue of books ought to be published as a Council pamphlet; it would be most valuable.

Replying to a question, Mr. Matthews said there was a great deal perfectly ready for press, but some consisted merely of notes and articles that had appeared in 'Bell News.' He would have to get hold of these articles to complete the work.

The Rev. H. Drake asked if it would not be well for the Literature Committee to go on getting the thing ready for publication in the hope that by the time it was completed printing would be easier.

Mr. A. E. Parsons said it was a pity that the publication of the work should be shelved for want of funds. It might be years before the Council could hold out any hope of being able to provide funds either for printing this matter or the Treble Bob compositions. Was it possible to ask for voluntary subscriptions? He proposed that a subscription list should be opened for the purpose.

Mr. James George seconded.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett asked if it was wise to make precedents of that kind. There were many other worthy objects one could imagine they would like to appeal for if they made a start. He doubted very much whether it would be a good thing to do.

Mr. G. P. Burton referred to the other side of the committee's work, of which no report had been received, viz., the propaganda side. Articles appeared from time to time in the public press with regard to ringing, which were altogether erroneous and misleading. He understood the committee were to subscribe to a press-cutting agency with a view to answering and correcting misapprehensions that appeared in the public press, but he had not heard that anything had been done. Mr. Burton added that the publication of the catalogue which the committee had in hand would be welcomed by the librarians of the various public libraries, who were only too glad to receive works of reference of this kind.

Mr. Parsons' proposal did not find support, and was withdrawn, and a resolution was carried that the committee continue its labours in compiling a ringing bibliography to be deposited in the Council library, and to publish in the 'Ringing World,' or in a pamphlet any portions which they thought fit, if the expense was approved by the treasurer.

### THE COLLECTION OF MAJOR METHODS.

The Rev. H. Law James moved the adoption of the report of the Methods Committee which had already been published in the 'Ringing World.' He did not see that the committee could go very much further until the work they had done had been published and placed in the hands of the Exercise. They had collected all the Plain Major Methods, and placed the copy in the secretary's hands, and he presumed it would be handed over to the librarian. They selected a certain number of Plain Methods for publication, and he understood the secretary was instructed to get a price for printing, and if possible, to print. Apparently no price had been got for the printing. He really did think that the publication of these Plain Major Methods was of far more importance than the publication of strings upon strings of courses of Treble Bob. Treble Bob was rung by the Union Scholars in 1718 and the thing was worn out and done with. They did not want to go on for ever doing the same thing over and over again. Let them publish something new to enable the ringers of the country to get out of the old rut. These Plain Major Methods were more musical than Kent or Oxford Treble Bob. The committee had something like 600 Treble Bob Methods to work on, but he did not think it was worth while beginning until what they had done had been published. It was far harder work than the Plain Methods, because every method must have a proof scale got out before they knew whether it was of any value or not. He thought the Plain Methods should be published before the Treble Bob peals, because there was already in Snowden's book as many peals of Treble Bob as any ordinary person would want to call in a lifetime (hear, hear). Mr. James added that he had received from Mr. Lewis the collection of all the Little Methods. He suggested that a collection from these should be printed with the Plain Methods. He proposed

that a selection of the Plain Major Methods and Little Bob Methods be printed, if and when the funds in the hands of the treasurer permit.

The Rev. G. W. O. Jenkyn seconded, and said the Collection of Methods section 1, had the largest sale of any of the Council's publications during the year, by about 30.

The Rev. B. H. T. Drake said he was only a plain ringer, and not a figure merchant, and he hoped if any further printing of this sort was done it would be less cryptic than the last collection of methods. Country ringers could not understand from the publication how the bobs and singles had to be made, and he suggested that in future the figures of these should be given in addition to the lead.

The Rev. H. Law James said directions were laid down in the Collection of Minor Methods that in every single case 4th's place had to be made at a bob, and he did not think that statement wanted printing at the bottom of every method.

The Rev. B. H. T. Drake said it would be simpler if the four rows of figures were given showing how the bob, or single, was made.

Mr. H. W. Wilde said in the case of the Little Bob Methods Mr. Lewis had done this. For himself he would like to see the selection of the Plain Major Methods printed rather than the Treble Bob Peals Collection. There was no doubt if the Major Methods were produced it would be the most saleable book they would have.

On the motion of the Rev. B. H. T. Drake, seconded by Mr. R. Narborough, a resolution was carried instructing the committee to include the figures of bobs and singles with the methods when printed.

### CONTROLLING THE FUNDS.

Mr. P. J. Johnson said the cost of printing was likely to be high for some time to come, and even if the Council went to the expense of printing a selection of the Major Methods it would cripple itself effectually for publishing anything else for years to come. He wondered, therefore, if it would be possible to publish these methods through the 'Ringing World,' spread over a period of time. If they put them away in the library with the other ringing literature he doubted whether any man living would see them published at all.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett said he did not like entrusting the spending of the Council's money to one individual, even though he be one who deserved so much at their hands as their treasurer. He thought the proper course was that the committee should submit an estimate at the next meeting of the Council. He thought they ought to keep control of their funds in their own hands.

The Hon. Secretary (who is also hon. treasurer): I should be only too thankful to be relieved.

Mr. Pritchett suggested that the motion should be amended to read 'if and when the Council think it advisable.'

The Rev. H. Law James said he did not mind which course was followed, but if they accepted the amendment they would have to wait another twelve months before anything was done.

Mr. Pritchett: No harm done.

The amendment, on being put, was carried.

Mr. Burton thought they ought not to lose the advantage of getting the methods published piecemeal in the 'Ringing World.'

The Rev. H. Law James: I am quite willing to send them piecemeal if the Editor is willing to publish them. That is for him to say, not for the Council.

Mr. Johnson did not think the Council or any body of ringers ought to expect the periodical to publish anything for nothing. It was being published for their convenience, but what he did say was that by publishing these methods piecemeal they would be spreading the cost over a period of years, whereas if they laid down a large sum now in printing they would effectually cripple themselves from printing other works. He had no doubt the Editor would undertake to let these methods appear on a contract.

Rev. H. Law James: On the other hand, I think the Editor of the 'Ringing World' would be prepared to do it for nothing, if only ringers would back the 'Ringing World' up and make the circulation four or five times what it is (applause).

Mr. Johnson: You will have to get ringers to buy more than one copy for a belfry.

The Rev. H. Law James: There are towers sending up two or three peals a month who only take one copy. It is a disgrace (hear, hear).

Mr. Johnson proposed that steps should be taken to have the methods published in the 'Ringing World.'—Mr. Burton seconded.

Mr. James George said if they were to have this information through the 'Ringing World' the paper would have to be enlarged, and that could not be done without better support. They could not get the peals up to date now on account of the number that was rung. Undoubtedly peals ought to be made a greater number of changes; they were too cheap (laughter). He would have pleasure in supporting the resolution provided they could get the paper enlarged.

Mr. Pritchett said he had the same objection to this resolution as he had to the previous one, namely that they were depleting someone else to spend their money. If they wanted to make a contract to publish the collection, an estimate should be obtained beforehand, and submitted to and approved by the Council. Then they would know where they were.

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Mr. Dean pointed out that if these methods were published piecemeal they would not have them in a concise form in the end.

Mr. Johnson's motion was then put by the President in the following terms: 'That the committee be authorised to publish such methods as they think fit in the "Ringing World," payment being made by the Council.'—This being voted on was lost by a large majority.

(To be continued.)

### CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION. ANNUAL MEETING.

A large number of members of the Central Northants Association, assembled at the county town on Whit-Monday on the occasion of the annual meeting. During the day touches in a variety of methods were rung at All Saints', St. Peter's, St. Giles', St. Edmund's, St. Sepulchre's, and Kingsthorpe Churches. The annual service was held in All Saints' Church, the preacher being the Rev. G. L. Lunt, M.C. A marble tablet in the porch of All Saints' Church was unveiled by the Rev. J. P. Friend, Rector of Collingtree, vice-president of the Association, recording the names of the 22 ringers who gave their lives in the Great War. The tablet is of marble, and has a moulded border. The inscription is as follows:—

The Central Northants Association of Church Bell Ringers.

To the Glory of God, and in memory of our Brother Ringers who fell in the Great War, 1914-1919:—

Alfred J. Knight, D.C.M., Arthur Plant Ben Saddington, Horace W. Sharmat, George Holland, John Deacon, Frank S. Andrew, Richard Williamson, Arthur Fairey, Percy Knighton, Bernard Loveday, Kenneth Mitchell, John Rogers, Fred Causby, Thomas Wade, Charles S. Faulkner, Richard T. Earl, Albert Warren, Ralph Elson, Frank Brown, Reginald H. Clarke, Thomas Needlo.

Greater love hath no man than this.

Above the inscription is a bell carved in relief.

Tea and meeting followed in St. Giles' Church Buildings the retiring President (Mr. F. Hopper) presiding. The following officers were elected: President, the Rev. E. J. Atkins, Rector of Isham; general secretary, Mr. D. J. Nichols (Kettering); treasurer, Mr. W. Wilson (Isham). The Rev. E. J. Atkins took the chair.—Mr. F. Wilford, in his secretarial report, stated that the balance in hand of the Central Fund was £26 1s. 7d., and that of the Belfry Repair Fund £15.0s. 10d. About fifty members had been enrolled during the year.

Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar of All Saints' and other clergy for the use of the bells, to Mr. F. Wilford, who now retired, for his excellent work during his 13 years of office as general secretary, and also to the most able and willing band of lady workers who had provided the tea.

### FIRST CARILLON IN DEVON.

The three bells in the church tower at Kennerleigh, Devon, which have been cracked for more than half a century, have been cast into a carillon of eight, which can be played by one person on a clavier. The work has been successfully carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. The re-dedication was performed by the Bishop of Crediton. This is said to be the first instance of such an installation in the diocese of Exeter.

### NOTICES.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Estab. 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at Perry Barr on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Guild's Service in Church at 5. Tea (followed by business meeting) will be kindly provided by the Vicar in the Church Room, for all those who advise the undersigned, not later than June 29th, of their intention to be present.—A Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

### DEATH.

**MORRIS.**—On Thursday, June 10th, at the Royal Infirmary, Leicester, Edith Sarah the beloved wife of Ernest Morris, of St. Margaret's Guild of ringers, Leicester, aged 33 years. Funeral Service held at St. Margaret's Church, the Rev. F. R. C. Payne, M.A., O.B.E., officiating, on Tuesday, June 15th.

### NOTICES.

**WORCESTERSHIRE 'ND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Preliminary Notice.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Hagley on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service in the Church at 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—E. J. Dowler, 11, St. Edward's Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-east Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bickleigh (six bells), three miles from Tiverton, on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4.45. Tea (1/- each) in Rectory Grounds at 5.15.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Stoke Bishop on Saturday, June 19th. Bells open from 5 o'clock.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at West Derby on Saturday, June 19th.—Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A meeting will be held at Cottenham, Cambs (6 bells), on Saturday afternoon, June 19th.—A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at East Retford on Saturday, June 19th. East Retford (10 bells), West Retford (6), Ordsall (6), will be at the disposal of ringers from 2 to 8.30. A meat tea will be provided at 5 o'clock at Howard's Restaurant. Members of kindred associations will be welcome.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The annual summer festival will take place at Bishopstone, Shrivenham, G.W.R., on Saturday, June 19th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Strawberry tea 5 p.m.—H. W. Bishop, Wanboro', Swindon.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Cotgrave on Saturday, June 19th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock, 1/6 each.—Thos. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting of the Western District will be held at Lightcliffe on Saturday, June 19th, 1920. Bells (8) available 2.30 to 9. Tea at 5. Business meeting immediately after. All ringers are welcome.—P. L. Cooper, Hon. District Secretary.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Wisbech.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, June 19th, at Soham, Cambs (10 bells). All ringers welcome. Bells available from 3 p.m.—R. Luthbury, District Secretary, Newmarket.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—The unveiling by the Master of the Guild (Major Hughes D'Aeth) of the memorial tablet for the fallen ringers of the branch will take place at St. Peter's Church, Dorchester, on Saturday, June 19th, at 4.30 p.m. All ringers and friends are invited to attend the service.—C. H. Jennings, Hon. Secretary, Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual Festival Saturday, June 19th, at Leominster. 11 a.m., Divine Ser-



vice, Preacher, Archdeacon Maude. 12 noon, business meeting in Church Institute. 1 p.m., dinner at Roach's Restaurant. Ringing at Leominster (10), Kimbolton (6), Eye (6), Kingsland (6), Eardisland (6), Stoke Prior (5), Bodenham (6).—James S. Roper, Hon. Sec., Elm Cottage, Quatt, Bridgnorth.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A monthly meeting will be held at Berkswell to-morrow, Saturday, June 19th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.45.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—Next meeting at All Hallows', Tottenham, on Saturday, June 19th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5.30. Tea at a charge to cover cost at 6.30 in the Church Hall.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—Combined practice will be held on Tuesday, June 22nd, at St. Mary's Church, Barnes, at 8 p.m. All ringers invited.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on June 24th; Southwark Cathedral on the 22nd; and \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 29th. All at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32 Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**PONTEFRAC, YORKS.**—The dedication of the bells will take place at 3 o'clock on Thursday, June 24th, by the Bishop of Beverley. Ringers welcome. Open day for ringers August Bank Holiday. Particulars later.—A. Walker, Sec.

**SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS** (Established 1623).—The 297th anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 26th. Ringing commences at 9 a.m. All visitors welcome.—R. A. Strong, Hon. Secretary.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Warnham on Saturday, June 26th. Bells available from 2 till 9. Tea at the Sussex Oak Inn at 5 o'clock. All ringers intending being present kindly notify me not later than June 22nd.—A. W. Groves, Div. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Saffron Walden on Saturday, June 26th (Great Ringing Day). Bells available all day. Service in the church at 12 noon. A meat tea will be arranged for at nominal cost at 4 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present kindly let me know by June 24th, as catering is a difficult matter?—F. Dench, Hon. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Brabourne on Saturday, June 26th, to celebrate the anniversary of the signing of peace, at the express invitation of the Vicar (Rev. S. K. Lockyear), who also kindly invites all members as his guests to tea. Bells will be available from 2 o'clock. A special Service will be held in the Church at 4 o'clock. All members intending to be present kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, June 22nd.—C. Tribe, British School Villas, Tenterden.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Erdington on Saturday, June

26th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock, service in church at 4.30, to be followed by tea at the Church House (for those who notify me of their intention to be present by the previous Wednesday) and the business meeting. All ringers welcome.—S. Pigott, 41, Cemetery Road, Smethwick.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The annual District Meeting will be held at Chilham on Saturday, June 26th. Bells available for ringing during the afternoon. Service at 5 p.m., conducted by the Vicar. Tea and business meeting after. Tea will be provided at 3d. a head for members who send their names to reach me by Wednesday, June 23rd.—Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, Hon. District Secretary, Elmsted Vicarage, Ashford, Kent.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Annual meeting at Lichfield on Saturday, June 26th. Cathedral bells from 2.30 to 3.45 and 5.30 to 7. St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3. Service in Cathedral at 4. Tea at 4.50 at Lloyd's (late Scaggrave's) Restaurant, 1s. each to fully-paid members, to others 1s. 9d. General meeting to follow. Please notify by 22nd inst. — H. Knight, Hon. Secretary, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—The annual meeting and election of officers will be held at Kettering on June 26th. Bells open from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Kindly notify me by Thursday, June 24th (latest), how many for tea.—Robert F. Turner, 160, St. Peter's Avenue, Kettering, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, June 26th, at All Saints', Edmonton. Bells available from 4 till 8 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.—F. G. Symonds, Hon. District Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Dunster Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wootton Courtenay on Saturday, June 26th.—Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting following.—G. Stacey, Local Hon. Sec., Minehead.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Tong, on Saturday, June 26th. Bells available from 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester The Summer quarterly meeting will be held at Kibworth on Saturday, June 26th, Ringing from 2.30. Business meeting at 5.30.—H. E. Norman, Sec.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at East Grinstead on Saturday, June 26th. Tower open 2.30 p.m. and onward. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, at Messrs. Curtis's Rooms, London Road, by kind invitation. Half railway fare (maximum 2/-). Those who intend to be present to tea should notify the undersigned not later than Tuesday, June 22nd.—A. D. Stone, Div. Hon. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Marple on Saturday, June 26th.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Summer quarterly meeting at Barnet on Saturday, July 3rd. Tea to those who notify me by June 30th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.



**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at Loughborough on Saturday, July 3rd. Ringing at All Saints', Stanford, and the Bell Foundry. Tea will be provided for all members who send in their names on or before the 29th June to Mr. W. Pervin, 25, Ratcliffe Road, Loughborough. Committee meeting 4.30, tea 5, and general meeting after tea, in Fearon Hall, near All Saints' Church. — A. C. Wright, Hon. Secretary, Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch. —The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 3rd, at Newhey. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—Meeting at Whitchurch on Saturday, July 3rd. Tower open at 2.30. Short service at 3.45. Tea at 4.30 followed by business meeting. 6d. allowed for tea to all members informing me not later than June 29th.—C. D. P. Davies, Hon. District Sec., Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late St. James's Society).—Estab. 1824.—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, July 3rd, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual Summer Festival will be held at Woburn on Saturday, July 3rd. The fine peal of eight bells available from 2 p.m. Service 4.15; tea 5 o'clock.—Edward P. Duffield, Hon. Sec., Sharnbrook, Beds.

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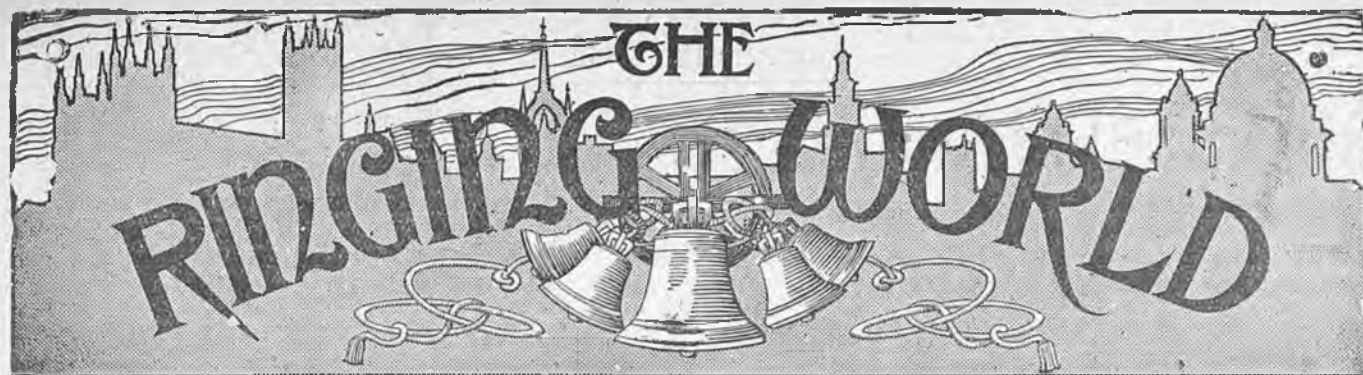
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The 'lead ends' controversy seems perennial, it springs up, is debated and appears to die a natural death, only to pop up again later with new vigour. Settled, apparently, many years ago by the report of the Central Council's Methods Committee, it was revived some six or seven years since by the Hon. Secretary of the Council, when he endeavoured to get the Council to upset its previously adopted decision. Through the war period it led to a lengthy newspaper debate; Mr. Davies produced a pamphlet on the subject, and at the Council meeting at Gloucester it resulted in some strong speeches. There for a year it rested so far as the Exercise was concerned, but, as our readers will see, the question cropped up again at the Northampton Council meeting. The Hon. Secretary crowded into ten minutes the outcome of twelve months' thought in his efforts to prove the error of the Committee's ways, and there came a brief response from the Rev. H. Law James, as the champion of the other side. No vote was asked for or taken, nor could there well be any decision. A discussion, as the President pointed out, was a matter of days, if not weeks and months, and the Council passed on to the next business. Indeed, such a technical matter could not be settled by a debate in the Council, and, as it has now been definitely decided that the Council's resolutions are to be binding on nobody it would be as well if this question were now left alone for everybody to enjoy their own opinion.

If, however, its settlement on lines other than those laid down in the Committee's report is really essential, we think Mr. Davies should take some action to bring the matter to a head. How this can best be done there is no one better qualified than the Hon. Secretary of the Council to decide. If the Committee decline to reconsider their findings, it would be equivalent to a vote of want of confidence to set up another tribunal to investigate the matter afresh; and yet, without the considered conclusions of a body of experts to guide them, the Council could not be expected to throw over their own 'decisions' as set out in a report which they have accepted and published. It is a difficult position for Mr. Davies, whose sincerity of purpose in this discussion is in itself almost enough to convince 'the man in the street'; but the recrudescence of the topic is beginning to get wearisome, and it should be carried to a conclusion or dropped. The Exercise does not want to see public debate of this question carried on without finality. It is, in fact, rather indifferent to the whole subject, and the general opinion certainly is that it is useless to continue the argument unless something is done to bring the question to a head, and get the Council to revise or confirm its 'decision.' To bring about an alteration, Mr. Davies will need the weight of the 'experts,' but at present they do not appear to be on his side.

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ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 5	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. Tenor

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WILLIAM POYSER ... .. 2	FREDERICK FOSTER ... .. 6
JOHN W. GLEW ... .. 3	ARTHUR B. STONE ... .. 7
JOSEPH LORD ... .. 4	ARTHUR SHERWOOD ... .. Tenor

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

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Tenor 11½ cwt.

WILLIAM HAIGH ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SPICE... .. 5
*RICKS PAINE ... .. 2	†SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. ... .. 6
FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. WALKER ... .. 7
CHARLES WINNER ... .. 4	JAMES E. DAVIS... .. Tenor

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CHARLES DYSON ... .. 4	WILLIAM DRINKWATER ... .. Tenor

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Tenor 14 cwt.

CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... .. Treble	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 5
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HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 3	D. HAROLD ARGYLE ... .. 7
ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... .. 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... Tenor

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On Saturday, June 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
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A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

OLAVE BROYD ... .. Treble	CECIL BARKER ... .. 5
HORACE COOPER ... .. 2	*FRED WILKIN ... .. 6
LEWIS WISEMAN ... .. 3	*BERNARD PETTIT ... .. 7
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Conducted by OLIVE BROYD.

First peal in the method as conductor. \* First in the method. This was rung as a wedding peal for Mr. Sidney Hale who is a member of this tower.

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Tenor 11 cwt.

JOHN SPENCER ... .. Treble	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 5
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... .. 2	ALFRED WATSON ... .. 6
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 3	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 7
ERNEST LINCOLN ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

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Tenor 18 cwt.

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JAMES FLEURY ... .. 2	WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... .. 6
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM ... .. 3	ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. 7
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WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 4	ALFRED MONK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED J. MAWBY.

\* First peal in the method away from tenor. First peal in the method as conductor.

KINGSTON-ON-THAMES. — On Monday, May 24th, at All Saints Church, to celebrate Empire Day, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: H. G. Naish 1, Mrs. C. H. Dobbie (first quarter-peal with a bob bell) 2, P. G. Goddard 3, C. H. Dobbie 4, J. Howes (conductor) 5, G. B. Naish 6, J. N. Frossell 7, J. Chandler 8.

LOWER BEEDING, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM HEWETT ... .. Treble	BERT CHALLEN ... .. 5
ARMIGER J. TROLLOPE ... .. 2	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 6
ISAAC EMERY ... .. 3	EDMUND H. LINDUP ... .. 7
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 4	HENRY STALHAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDMUND H. LINDUP.

GRAVESEND, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
Tenor 19½ cwt. in E flat.

JOHN AVIS ... .. Treble	HENRY T. WILSON ... .. 5
FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... .. 2	GEORGE E. WILSON ... .. 6
WILLIAM DUDLEY ... .. 3	SGT. JAMES BENNETT, R.M. 7
FREDERICK HAYES ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. JUDD ... Tenor

Composed by F. ROBINSON.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. JUDD.

The band wish to thank Canon Gedge, Rector of Gravesend, for the use of the bells, Mr. E. Hadlow for having everything ready and Mr. J. Avis for filling a vacancy at the last minute. Messrs. Dudley, H. and G. Wilson and W. H. Judd came from Prittlewell, Essex; this was the first peal by W. J. Judd as conductor in the County of Kent for 34 years.

COLSTON BASSETT, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
Tenor 22½ cwt.

CECIL J. BAKER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM E. WHITE ... .. 5
WALTER WHITE ... .. 2	RICHARD H. BARTRAM ... .. 6
THOMAS H. KIRKBY ... .. 3	HENRY HARRISON ... .. 7
JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;  
Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb. in A flat.

REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON Treble	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 5
CHARLES E. FISHER ... .. 2	ALBERT FLEMING ... .. 6
GEORGE FLEMING ... .. 3	*FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 7
WILLIAM BURGESS ... .. 4	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN.

Conducted by G. E. SYMONDS.

Central Council Collection, No. 8r. \* First peal in the method.

SOBERTON, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... .. 5
JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... .. 2	WILLIAM BOLTON ... .. 6
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... .. 3	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... .. 7
ALFRED MEARS ... .. 4	RICHARD STONE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

STEBBING, ESSEX. — On May 22nd, at St. Mary's Stebbing, a 720 of London Surprise Minor, being the 2nd in that method rung on the bells: W. Claydon (Reigate) 1, A. Shufflebotham (Braintree) 2, J. T. Barker 3, H. P. Emery 4, W. Smith (Dunmow) 5, E. Claydon (conductor) 6. Also on Sunday May 23rd, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: H. Young 1, G. Schlueter (London) 2, W. Clayton 3, H. P. Emery 4, E. Claydon 5, A. Shufflebotham (conductor) 6. Also on Monday morning, May 24th, 720 Cambridge Surprise: A. Barker 1, J. T. Barker 2, G. Schlueter 3, H. P. Emery 4, E. Claydon (conductor) 5, W. Claydon 6.

STOKE-IN-COVENTRY.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

WILLIAM J. SMITH ... .. Treble	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... .. 5
JOSEPH H. WHITE ... .. 2	JOSEPH B. FENTON ... .. 6
HARRY ARGYLE ... .. 3	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... .. 7
WALTER MALINS... .. 4	FRANK E. PERVIN... .. Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH B. FENTON.

Conducted by WALTER MALINS.

Rung for the festival of St. Barnabas, also to celebrate the 50th birthday of Mr. Joseph B. Fenton, of Rugby. First peal in the method as conductor.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

CHURCH EATON, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Monday, April 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDITHA,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of 42 six-scores with ten different callings.

GEORGE WARNER ... .. Treble	BERT WAKELAM ... .. 4
NORMAN WAKELAM ... .. 2	JOHN J. TAYLOR ... .. 5
JOHN PERRY... .. 3	THOMAS PERRY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN J. TAYLOR.

FLITTON, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Bob Minor. Tenor 6 cwt.

EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... Treble	*WILLIAM PEACOCK ... .. 4
*ALBERT FLEET, JUN... .. 2	MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 5
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 3	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD C. GOBEY.

\* First peal in three methods. This peal was arranged for the conductor during his stay in the above parish, it being his native village.

IDEN, SUSSEX.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.)

On Saturday, June 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... Treble	GEORGE BILLENNESS ... .. 4
WILLIAM BILLENNESS ... .. 2	GEORGE KENWARD ... .. 5
CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 3	CHARLES W. PLAYER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. PLAYER.

Rung as a wedding peal for Miss Freda Winifred Lockington Bates, third daughter of the Vicar of Iden, to Mr. Alfred Kenward Holmes of Udintore, which took place at Iden on June 1st.

ORLINGBURY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 Six-scores. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr.

*BASIL BUTLER ... .. Treble	*JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. 3
MATTHIAS HOBBS ... .. 2	†CECIL CHAPMAN... .. 4

THOMAS BUTLER... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS BUTLER.

Rung in honour of the King's birthday. \* First peal. † First peal of Doubles. Great credit is due to the ringer of the treble for the way in which he rang his bell, he being only 12 years of age. After the peal the ringers were kindly entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. T. Butler.

CLIFTON REYNER, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Sunday, June 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Violet, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholar's Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent. Tenor 11 cwt.

*WILLIAM T. PALMER ... Treble	WILLIAM FREEMAN ... .. 4
WILLIAM JACQUES ... .. 2	FREDERICK J. MYNARD ... .. 5
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 3	EDWIN S. MYNARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. J. MYNARD.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Minor. Arranged for ringer of the treble, who nails from Staveley, Derbyshire, and was elected a member previous to starting.

BRADFORD-ON-TONE, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

EDWIN BRANCHFLOWER ... Treble	FRED C. ESSEX ... .. 4
FRED POLE ... .. 2	WILLIAM SEALEY ... .. 5
ALBERT TOUT ... .. 3	WALTER SEALEY... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. TOUT.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

CAMBRIDGE.  
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Six Minutes,

**A PEAL OF PLAIN AND LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 6016 CHANGES;**

W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen s) 1-2	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY (Trin.) 3-4	B. F. SHEPPARD (Trin.) ... 7-8

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

Umpire: H. G. BENSON (King's).

This is the first spliced peal of Major ever rung. The composition contains 117 courses, each consisting of one lead of Plain Bob, one of Little Bob, and one of Plain Bob, with three courses of Plain Bob added, thereby giving the 120 course-ends.

CLAPHAM, S.W.  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Friday, June 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. W. T. COCKERILL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 6016 CHANGES;**

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... 1-2	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 7-8
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3-4	WILLIAM H. PASMORE ... .. 9-10
HARRY R. PASMORE ... .. 5-6	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. 11-12

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by HARRY R. PASMORE.

Umpire: EDWIN HORREX.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, June 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

ON THE LAWN AT GLEN GARTH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON... .. 1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5-6
2nd WTR. C. GLENN, R.N. 3-4	JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 7-8

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Witness: MRS. GLENN.

REEPHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 13, 1920, in One Hour and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. F. J. BARBER,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's.

MATTHEW TIMBERS ... .. 1	FREDERICK J. BARBER ... .. 3
ALBERT J. NEAL ... .. 2	JAMES W. WASEY ... .. 4

WALTER C. MEDLER ... .. 5-6

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

Witness: MRS. W. C. MEDLER.

# DEVON'S NEW PEAL OF TEN. DEDICATION OF CULLOMPTON BELLS.

An interesting and important restoration has taken place in Devon, where Cullompton bells have been rehanging, three of the peal recast, and two new trebles added to make a ring of ten. The work has been



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carried out at a cost of over £1,100 by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and the reopening and dedication took place on Saturday week.

The Vicar (the Rev. R. N. F. Phillips) conducted the service and

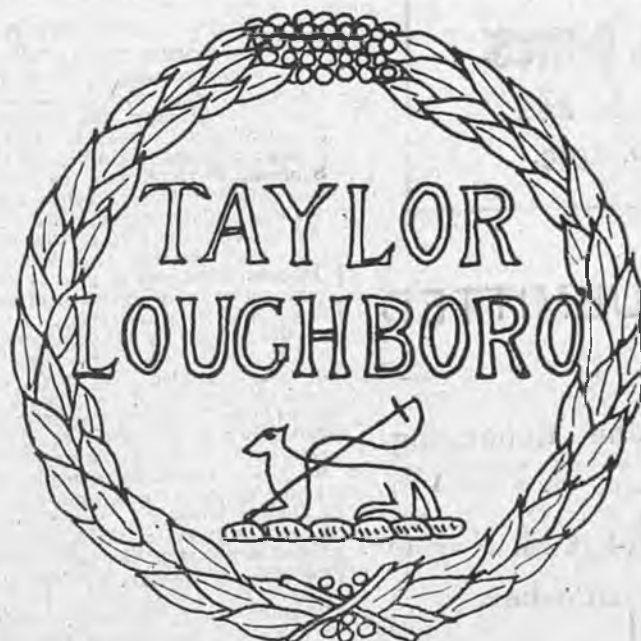
the lesson was read by the Rev. E. J. Barton, chairman of the N.E. branch of the Devon Guild. The Archdeacon of Exeter performed the dedication, and preached from the text, 'Woe is me, if I preach not the Gospel.' The local ringers rang a few rounds on the bells immediately after the dedication. The ringers from St. Sidwell's, Exeter, under the leadership of Mr. Edwin Shephard, had been invited to open the bells and rang touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters. All the ringers in the neighbourhood were also invited, and ringing was indulged in until late in the evening by bands, or individual members from St. Mary's and St. James' (Taunton), Tiverton, Halberton, Uffculme, Holcombe Rogus, Cyst Hydon, Kentisbeare, Thorverton, Bradninch, Plymtree, Ottery St. Mary, Huntsham and Bampton. Mr. Denison Taylor represented the Loughborough foundry, and Mr. J. H. Shephard, of Swindon, was also present. All the ringers were very kindly entertained at a public tea in the Vicarage Grounds.

The restoration has included the rehanging of the bells in a new iron frame carried on steel girders, and the recasting of the old treble, second and sixth. The new treble, inscribed 'Thanks be to God for Victory and Peace, 1918,' is the gift of the Vicar, and the second is a 'memorial' bell. It has been given by Mr. A. Burrow, and is inscribed 'To the glory of God and in memory of the men of Cullompton who died for their country in the Great War, 1914-1918.'

The bells are hung on ball bearings, but it is necessary that there should be no confusion, especially in Devonshire, between this principle and that adopted by Messrs. Aggett, of Chagford, whose system is really that of roller bearings. The peal was much admired, and the 'go' was perfect, it being possible to ring the tenor with one hand quite easily. Cullompton is much to be congratulated on now possessing a fine peal of ten, the fifth in the county. The local ringers are taking up change ringing, and have applied to the Devon Guild for an instructor through the local branch secretary.

It is interesting to note that the original peal was cast in 1746 by Thomas Bilbie of Chewstoke, and the tenor (19 cwt. 2 qrs. 4 lbs.) bears an unusual inscription: 'Me resonare Jubent—pietis mori—Atque Volupfas. Richard Bevis, Esq., Richard Harvard, Richard Wills, Thomas Hone, Franc. Webb, G. H. Wards, Bilbie the Founder, Bush the Hanger, Heathfield the man that rings the tenor, 1746.'

Cullompton was for about 100 years (1715-1818) the home of a bell foundry carried on by the Bilbies, who also had the foundry at Chewstoke and they are believed to have cast 352 bells for Devonshire. The business was taken over by William Pannell, a tinman, who removed to Exeter. His business came to an end in 1855. He is buried in Cullompton Churchyard.



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**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## LABOUR TROUBLE.

A demand by workers in the printing trade for an increase of wages has produced a delicate situation. The Typographical Association (which includes compositors and machine minders) have asked for an increase of 20s. per week and have been offered 10s. The offer has been refused, and notices have been handed in, which will expire on Saturday, unless a settlement can be effected in the meantime. The threatened withdrawal of labour applies only to the provinces, but as it affects the office at which 'The Ringing World' is printed, we feel compelled to make this brief statement. It is hoped that a strike may be avoided, but the position is critical.

## DEVON RESTORATIONS.

The fine peal of six bells at St. Gregory's, Seaton, have now been completed by Messrs. Aggett and Sons, of Chagford, two new bells having been added, and one of the old bells (the 4th) recast. The oldest bell in the tower dates from 1430. The bells have been hung in massive iron frames on steel girders and modern principles have been introduced into the hanging, including Messrs. Aggett's patent adjustable bearings. The bells were dedicated on Thursday, June 3rd, by the Archdeacon of Exeter, in the presence of a large congregation, and opened by the Colyton band of ringers, under the Rev. Molinoaux, captain. The bells were rung after the service; also by numerous sets of ringers, who all expressed great satisfaction at the tone and especially at the easy 'go' of the bells.

Messrs. Aggett hope to commence this year the fine peal of six at Botus Fleming (Cornwall), the peal of St. Mary's Abbey, Buckfast, and the peals of six at Poughill and Rockbeare.

## WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the West Wales Association was held on Saturday, June 5th, at St. Catherine's Church, Gorseinon, there being a good attendance of members from the surrounding towers. The bells had been set going to Grandsire Triples, owing to a very serious case of illness close to the church the bells had to be stopped. Service was held, conducted by the Rev. W. J. Thomas (Vicar), who gave a very practical address and Mrs. Williams presided at the organ. The service concluded with the hymn, 'Fight the good Fight.' The Vicar invited the members to tea at St. Catherine's Hall, and a vote of thanks was accorded him for arranging and officiating at the service, and for so generously entertaining the members to tea. The ladies who so kindly waited at tea were also warmly thanked.

The business meeting followed, at which the Ringing Master (Mr. J. A. Hoare) expressed regret at the absence of the hon. secretary (Mr. C. Morse) who was unable to attend owing to the death of his daughter, who passed away at the early age of 18 years. The deepest sympathy of the meeting was extended to the bereaved family.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Raglan on Sept. 4th, when it was hoped that members will make a special effort to attend.

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### NORTH BUCKS BRANCH PROGRESSING.

The annual meeting of the North Bucks branch was held at Shenley on Saturday, June 5th, when about 120 members attended, representing Bletchley, Beachampton, Calverton, Chicheley, Emberton, Fenny Stratford, Great Horwood, Linslade, Maids Moreton, Milton, Keynes, Newport Pagnell, North Crawley, Olney, Stony Stratford, Simpson, Twyford, and the local ringers of both Shenley and Loughton. After an hour's ringing, a service fully choral, was held, and was much appreciated by all those who had the pleasure of attending, thanks to the splendid arrangements of the Rector and President of the branch (the Rev. J. R. Vincent) who had asked the Rev. Karney (Diocesan Missioner) to give an address. The preacher related several experiences whilst a prisoner of war in Germany, and while serving as chaplain to the prison camp.

After service an adjournment was made to the Rectory grounds, and tea was served on the lawn. The business meeting followed, the Rev. J. R. Vincent being in the chair. The balance sheet and report read by the secretary, showed the branch to be in a satisfactory condition. The Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) was present much to the delight of all the members. At the request of the meeting he spoke of the progress of the Guild, and also referred to the proceedings of the Central Council at the Northampton meeting. A few kindly remarks were also passed in favour of supporting the 'Ringing World.'

The usual vote of thanks was extended to all who had so ably assisted in providing the tea, to the Rev. J. R. Vincent for so kindly making arrangements and placing the grounds at the disposal of the branch, to the Rev. Karney for his splendid address, and to the Master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) for his personal attendance.

After the meeting further ringing was indulged in until it was time to prepare for home. The methods rung included Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Court and Cambridge Surprise Minor. The meeting generally was a complete success, and everyone who attended was well satisfied that the North Bucks branch was once more getting back to its pre-war state.



## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

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### LEAD ENDS.

The Hon. Secretary, with the consent of the President, read a lengthy statement which he had prepared on the 'Lead Ends' question, in which he set out arguments in support of his contention that 'bob leads are those only at which calls are made, and that no place made within the lead, which is part of the regular work of the lead, can be termed a bob. This contention he claimed, was supported by the Council's own 'Glossary' and by the Exercise at large, and he argued that the conclusions of the report of the Methods Committee were therefore, wrong, and that their contention that all methods must have either Grandsire or Plain Bob lead ends was equally wrong, because it was based on false premises. There might, added Mr. Davies, be some conceivable justification for their plea for the exclusive use of Grandsire and Plain Bob lead ends, if they achieved any real advantage, but they conspicuously failed to secure the one quality which it was their special mission to secure, viz., the maintenance of the same coursing order, which was conclusively proved by his method B in the pamphlet 'Lead Ends,' in which though the lead ends were Grandsire ones, the bells go down in a different coursing order in every lead. The true position might well be summed up in a few concise statements: (1) a bob is an alternative; (2) on the occurrence of the bob position there may be a bob, or there may not be a bob; (3) a bob is a substitution of one rule for another; (4) a bob is always a link; that which is not a link cannot be a bob; (5) no place which is invariably made is ever a bob; (6) any lead not containing a bob in the sense indicated above is a plain lead; (7) a plain lead may be of any form, provided always that its cycle of repetition produces as many leads as there are working bells. Mr. James, continued Mr. Davies, complained that he (the speaker) called any lead a plain lead in which a bob was not called. So did the 'Glossary.' Nor did Mr. James improve his case by objecting that the employment of the term 'plain lead' was only colloquial. So was nearly every other term in the science. The important thing was not the term itself but the sense in which it was used, and in this instance 'plain lead,' on the authority of the 'Glossary' (and of all ringers except Mr. James and his friends), meant a lead devoid of calls. This was not a fight about names, it was a fight for freedom. Were methods with non-Grandsire and non-Plain Bob lead ends to be banned and stigmatised, or were they to be acknowledged as 'regular' and to be esteemed as fit for use as the others? To stigmatise a method as 'irregular' involved a very clear attempt to get rid of it. The majority of ringers and conductors would have heard that such and such a method was 'contrary to the rules,' and would not trouble any further about it. Therefore, he would not rest until all criticism of methods not having Grandsire or Plain Bob lead ends was absolutely and finally withdrawn, so far at least as concerned their lead ends and coursing order.

### DECIDED BY THE EXERCISE.

The Rev. H. Law James said the question raised by Mr. Davies had been settled by an authority they could not get away from, and that was the Exercise as a whole during the last 200 years. He had had the opportunity of reading in Sir Arthur Heywood's collection of books everything that had been written on the subject, and previous to Troyte (who disclaimed any idea of being scientific and simply published his book to teach beginners) no one had used plain lead, bob lead and single lead in the way in which Mr. Davies meant it. These terms were quite modern and, as Mr. Davies said, were the colloquial language of the belfry. That, however, was of no use for scientific purposes. In Banister's book was published a list of the peals rung by the Ancient Society of College Youths down to 1875. There were several hundred peals, and there were among them just six peals which broke the rule with regard to lead ends. They rang two peals of Union Triples in 200 years. The same was true of the Union Scholars. They rang one peal of Union Triples; all the rest kept the rule of Bob Major lead ends and if they examined the peal books of other societies they would find about the same average. The thing had been settled, to his mind, by the Exercise before any of those present were born.

There being no proposal before the meeting, the Council passed on to the next business, the President remarking, amid laughter, that any discussion upon the subject raised by Mr. Davies was obviously a matter of days and weeks and months.

### PEALS ANALYSIS.

The report of the Peals Analysis Committee, already published, was moved by Mr. A. T. King, who also proposed that the Rev. A. T. Beeston be added to the committee.

The Rev. H. Law James asked that the analysis should be completed before it was deposited in the archives. With regard to the points, they were absolute rubbish. The committee were instructed last year not to publish them. He would suggest that they be crossed out. Secondly, there was one peal rung by the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, and one by somebody else which had not been included. The committee, in their report, made some strictures upon these peals; but it was not the fault of the conductor, as the peals were sent up for publication, but by some means failed to appear. He thought the

committee might have taken the trouble to put them in. Lastly, the committee had noticed two peals rung in new methods, but they had allocated no points to them.

The Hon. Secretary said there was only one instruction given to the committee last year, and that was that the associations should be entered in alphabetical order.

Mr. King said the committee waited until the close of February before they completed the analysis, and surely two months was quite enough to enable any association to get its peals printed. As regards his grievance, the Editor had confessed that these peals were mislaid. Were the committee to be blamed for that? He thought Mr. James should apologise.

The Rev. H. Law James said he only asked the committee to put the analysis right before it was laid by in the archives of the Council.

Mr. King warmly remarked that those who had not had the trouble did not appreciate the work the committee had to do. Let them scrap the whole thing if it was of no interest, but surely two months was quite sufficient time to give for the publication of peals.

The Rev. H. Law James said if it was put by as it was the analysis for 1919 would be worthless. He did not see why the committee should not take the trouble to complete it if it was to be of value for the future.

Mr. G. Williams (a member of the committee) supported what Mr. King had said. The committee had a tremendous lot of work to do, and he was surprised Mr. James had attacked it in the way he had.

The Rev. H. Law James said he was not attacking anybody, he only asked, for the sake of the future, that the analysis should be complete. He was not blaming anybody.

The President said he thought he saw a way out of the difficulty. He would ask their patient long-suffering, ever-ready, ever-genial librarian (applause) when he got this analysis to put into the newly-established library to make the corrections that Mr. James desired (applause).

The Rev. A. T. Beeston was added to the committee, and the report was adopted.

### TOWERS AND BELFRIES COMMITTEE.

This committee's report by Mr. E. H. Lewis, who was unavoidably absent, was read by Mr. E. A. Young as follows: At the meeting of the Central Council in 1919 this committee made a request that representatives would report to them any cases where harmful action was being taken by the societies or individuals to prevent bells being hung in the best modern manner. No such reports have been received by the committee during the year. As the result of work already done by the committee and the publication of 'Bell towers and bell hanging,' the members have been consulted individually with regard to the hanging of peals of bells (Major Hesse, Mr. E. A. Young and Mr. E. H. Lewis, each on four occasions). Advice has been given in these cases, but the committee do not consider it advisable to publish the details. The pressure of other work has been so great on members of the committee that they have not been able to initiate any further research work, but they hope to be able to give advice or assistance in any specific case which may be brought to their notice.

The report was adopted.

Canon Elsee reported for the Bells of Belgium Committee. He said their difficulty was that they had no reliable information as to the actual state of the towers and bells in Belgium. Mr. Lewis had hoped to get some definite information so as to put a proposal before the Council, but he had not yet been able to do so. He was hoping to go to Belgium in the near future and to get first-hand information on the spot.

The report was accepted.

(To be continued.)

### UNIQUE PERFORMANCE RECORDED.

On Saturday, May 29th, a good number of ringers assembled in the belfry of All Saints' Church, Corston, near Bath, on the occasion of the unveiling of a peal board, erected to record a peal rung last year, and in which, for the first time, father, mother and son took part.

The Rector (the Rev. C. C. Parker), Master of the Bath and Wells Association, unveiled the tablet, and said how pleased he was to have it in his tower. He hoped it would be an incentive to his own ringers to persevere and be able to accomplish a similar performance. He thanked the donors of the board (Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins), and congratulated them on the unique record they had achieved.

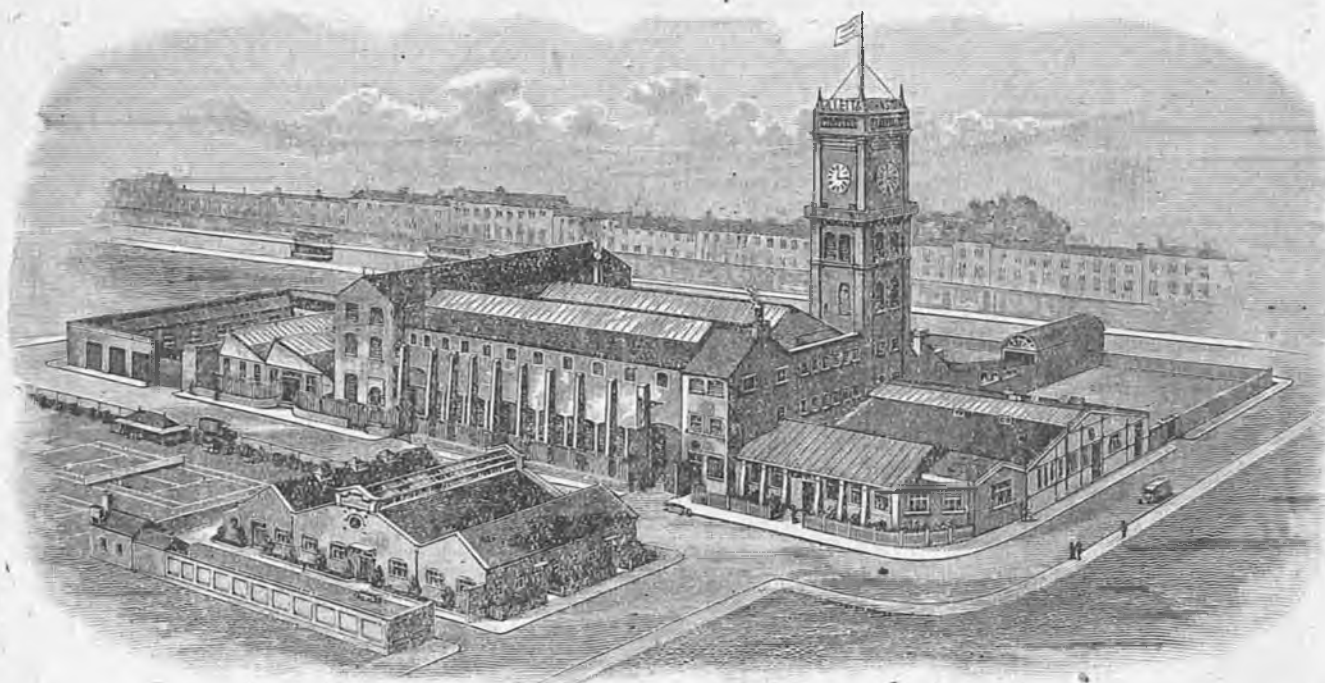
Mr. Wilkins, in acknowledging the thanks and congratulations, said how pleased they always were in meeting the Rev. C. C. Parker, who, as Master of the Bath and Wells Association for many years, had done a lot of work on behalf of ringers and ringing.

The following is the inscription: 'Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.—On Wednesday, July 9th 1919, in 2 hrs. and 50 mins., a peal of Stedman Triples (5040 changes): Sir A. P. Heywood's No. 1, Tenor, 9½ cwt: William A. Cave (treble), Arthur E. Wilkins 2, Mrs. Raymond H. Wilkins 3, Raymond J. Wilkins 4, Jesse B. Tyler 5, Gilbert H. Harding 6, Thomas F. King 7, Samuel J. Hector tenor; conducted by William A. Cave. This is the first peal in which father, mother and son have rung.—Rev. C. C. Parker, Rector.'

After the ceremony a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung, and will be found recorded in its proper place.

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**LADIES' GUILD.****SOUTHERN DISTRICT AT CHIDDINGFOLD.**

A meeting of the Southern District of the Ladies' Guild was held at Chiddingfold on Saturday, June 5th, when a very enjoyable afternoon and evening was spent by over thirty ringers from Aldershot, Dorking, Bagshot, Cranleigh, Shalford, Guildford, Puttenham, Witley and Godalming. Owing to the station and village being nearly three miles apart, it was practically a cyclists' meeting. Many visiting Chiddingfold for the first time were charmed with the pretty village, the church and the easy-going little ring of eight bells, which were rung for the first time in rounds by ladies. During the afternoon and evening touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob were brought round, in all of which methods ladies took part.

The Guild service was held at 4.30, the singing being led by the local lady ringers, who are also members of the church choir. One looks forward with confidence to the time when the performance of these young ladies in the belfry will equal their work in the choir.—The Vicar (the Rev. C. C. Lefroy) gave the address, and, with the organist sat down with the company to a substantial tea, provided in the Parish Hall.

After tea, a touch of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells by Messrs. Melville, Steere, Hazelden, and Mrs. Hazelden.—Miss Fisher (Dorking), in a happy little speech, thanked the Vicar and local ringers for the very hearty welcome and most enjoyable time they had given the visitors, and especially for the almost inspired words the Vicar had spoken to them in church.

At the short business meeting two ladies from Aldershot were elected members.—It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Chertsey, as the hon. secretary had ascertained that a meeting there would be much appreciated by the Chertsey members.

After further ringing, the bells were reluctantly lowered at 8 p.m., and the cycle ride homewards, through the beautiful pinewood scenery, was certainly a perfect end of a perfect day.

**WESTERN DISTRICT MEETING.**

The quarterly meeting was held at the Parish Church, Weston-super-Mare, on Saturday, June 12th. Members were present from Bristol, Portishead, Clapton-in-Gordano, Bridgwater, and Midsomer Norton, and were assisted by several local ringers. The bells, a beautiful ring of eight, were thoroughly appreciated. A short service was conducted by the Rector, who kindly gave a very interesting and helpful address, and was present at the tea which took place immediately after the service at Messrs. Brown's Cafe High Street. A short business meeting followed, at which Miss Gillingham presided, and at which a vote of thanks, proposed by Miss Gillingham, and seconded by Mrs. Wilkins, to the Rector (the Rev. Preb. Norton Thompson) for his kindness in lending the bells, and to the steeplekeeper, Mr. Stubbins, for the trouble he had taken to have everything in readiness, was passed.

It is hoped to hold the next meeting at Bath in September, and if possible, to have an evening meeting for practice at Portbury early in July.

**ENCOURAGING SIX-BELL RINGERS.****To the Editor.**

Sir.—Mr. Morris, in his letter to six bell towers, makes mention that the 8 and 10 bell ringers of Leicester were very glad of his help in scoring their 8 and 10 bell peals, while they openly scoffed at his peals on six. Let me inform Mr. Morris that for every peal he rang on 8 or 10 bells with our society, a first-class ringer of our band stood out to give him the opportunity. Let him also remember that our society got for him his first peals of Stedman Triples and Caters. Grandsire Caters, Double Norwich, Superlative and Treble Ten.

As regards ringers of 6 bells being shunned by the 8 and 10 bell ringers of Leicester, I ask the question, is there a ringer in existence who can truthfully say that they were never given a chance, or one who never received anything but assistance or encouragement to get on from our society? Often have we met for a special practice, a stranger turning up, who only rings 'so and so,' promptly our own aspirations have been turned down to give him a chance to ring his first touch of something or other.

As regards what Mr. Morris has done for the 6-bell ringers of Leicester, I say he has done it for the sake of self-glorification alone. It would be better if Mr. Morris realised that our society made him, not he, us. Mr. Morris says that he received the help or 'support' of one solitary friend, it was 'support' mainly in this case, I expect but we had his 'help.' We should be grateful, but I am afraid that we are not. I have written the above to correct a probably wrong impression abroad, that the 8 and 10 bell societies of Leicester owe their successes to Mr. Ernest Morris.—Yours faithfully,

FRED H. DEXTER,

St. Martin's Society, Leicester.

P.S.—On looking up our records I find that 40 ringers rang their first peal, and over 140 rang their first peal in a new method, from Triples to Royal, with this society. Mr. Morris figures largely in this.

**NOTICES.**

**SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS** (Established 1623).—The 297th anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 26th. Ringing commences at 9 a.m. All visitors welcome.—R. A. Strong, Hon. Secretary.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Saffron Walden on Saturday, June 26th (Great Ringing Day). Bells available all day. Service in the church at 12 noon. A meat tea will be arranged for at nominal cost at 4 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—F. Dench, Hon. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Warnham on Saturday, June 26th. Bells available from 2 till 9. Tea at the Sussex Oak Inn at 5 o'clock. All ringers intending being present kindly notify me not later than June 22nd.—A. W. Groves, Div. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Brabourne on Saturday, June 26th, to celebrate the anniversary of the signing of peace, at the express invitation of the Vicar (Rev. S. K. Lockyear), who also kindly invites all members as his guests to tea. Bells will be available from 2 o'clock. A special Service will be held in the Church at 4 o'clock.—C. Tribe British School Villas, Tenterden.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Erdington on Saturday, June 26th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock, service in church at 4.30, to be followed by tea at the Church House and the business meeting. All ringers welcome.—S. Pigott, 41, Cemetery Road, Smethwick.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The annual District Meeting will be held at Chilham on Saturday, June 26th. Bells available for ringing during the afternoon. Service at 5 p.m., conducted by the Vicar. Tea and business meeting after.—Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, Hon. District Sec., Elmstead Vicarage, Ashford, Kent.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Annual meeting at Lichfield on Saturday, June 26th. Cathedral bells from 2.30 to 3.45 and 5.30 to 7. St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3. Service in Cathedral at 4. Tea at 4.50 at Lloyd's (late Seagrave's) Restaurant, 1s. each to fully-paid members, to others 1s. 9d. General meeting to follow.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—The annual meeting and election of officers will be held at Kettering on June 26th. Bells open from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.—Robert F. Turner, 160, St. Peter's Avenue, Kettering, Hon. District Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, June 26th, at All Saints', Edmonton. Bells available from 4 till 8 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.—F. G. Symonds, Hon. District Sec.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at East Grinstead on Saturday, June 26th. Tower open 2.30 p.m. and onward. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, at Messrs. Curtis's Rooms, London Road, by kind invitation. Half railway fare (maximum 2/-).—A. D. Stone, Div. Hon. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton



**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Dunster Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wootton Courtenay on Saturday, June 26th.—Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting following.—G. Stacey, Local Hon. Sec., Minehead.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Tong, on Saturday, June 26th. Bells available from 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester The Summer quarterly meeting will be held at Whetstone (Kibworth not available) on Saturday, June 26th. Ringing from 2.30. Business meeting at 5.30.—H. E. Norman, Sec.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Marple on Saturday, June 26th.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A District meeting will be held at Bungay, Saturday, June 26th. Bells from 2.30.—R. J. Goate, District Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Estab. 1637).—A meeting will be held at St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on June 29th at 7.30 p.m. Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Summer quarterly meeting at Barnet on Saturday, July 3rd. Tea to those who notify me by June 30th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at Loughborough on Saturday, July 3rd. Ringing at All Saints', Stanford, and the Bell Foundry. Tea will be provided for all members who send in their names on or before the 29th June to Mr. W. Perwin, 25, Ratcliffe Road, Loughborough. Committee meeting 4.30, tea 5, and general meeting after tea, in Fearon Hall, near All Saints' Church.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Secretary, Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 3rd, at Newhey. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—Meeting at Whitchurch on Saturday, July 3rd. Tower open at 2.30. Short service at 3.45. Tea at 4.30 followed by business meeting. 6d. allowed for tea to all members informing me not later than June 29th.—C. D. P. Davies, Hon. District Sec., Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late St. James's Society).—Estab. 1824.—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, July 3rd, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual Summer Festival will be held at Woburn on Saturday, July 3rd. The fine peal of eight bells available from 2 p.m. Service 4.15; tea 5 o'clock.—Edward P. Duffield, Hon. Sec., Sharnbrook, Beds.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The July meeting will be held at Dore on Saturday, the 3rd. Tea will be provided for those who notify Mr. G. M. Thorpe, Church Street, Dore, not later than Tuesday, June 29th, at a charge of 1/6 per head.—Sam Thomas, 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, July 3rd. Tea 5.30; please notify me on or before June 26th of your intention to be present.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, and J. Johnson, Stoke-on-Trent, Hon. Secs.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Estab. 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at Perry Barr on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Guild's Service in Church at 5. Tea (followed by business meeting) will be kindly provided by the Vicar in the Church Room, for all those who advise the undersigned, not later than June 29th, of their intention to be present.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Peterborough on Saturday, July 3rd. St. Mary's bells open afternoon and evening, and Woodston from 3.30 to 9 p.m. Meat tea at the Co-operative Society, Park Road, at 5 p.m., 2/4 each. All ringers are welcome. Those requiring tea please notify me by June 29th.—S. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Bletchingley on Saturday, July 3rd. Tower open 3 p.m. Eight bells. All ringers cordially invited.—H. F. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A mid-week meeting will be held at Northaw on Wednesday, July 7th. Bells available from 7 to 9.30. Nearest stations Cuffley and Potters Bar, G.N.Rly. Trains from Kings Cross 5.59, 6.19, 6.42 and 6.57. from Broad Street at 5.50, 6.3 and 6.27. All ringers welcome.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—A by-meeting will be held at Prittlewell on Saturday, July 10th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Will all those intending to be present advise me as soon as possible, or at latest by July 5th, in order that satisfactory arrangements for tea can be made?—E. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Bridlington on Saturday, July 10th. By kind permission of the Rector, the bells of the Priory Church (8) will be available all day; these bells are by Taylor, Loughborough (tenor 26½ cwt.). Service in Church at 4.30, with an address by the Rev. Canon Topham. Meat tea at 5, 2/6 per head. Business meeting to follow in the Parish Church Institute. All members requiring tea please notify Mr. J. W. Cowling, 62, St. John Street, Bridlington, not later than Tuesday, July 6th.—W. Hinton, Hon. District Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Minehead on Saturday, July 10th. Particulars next week.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above Branch will be held at Clitheroe on Saturday, July 10th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Penwortham on July



10th. Bells (6) available from 3 to 9 p.m.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec., 98, Victoria Road, Walton-le-Dale, Lancs.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Meeting at Finchamfield, July 3rd. Bells (8) ready at 2 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Address by A. W. Ruggles-Brise, Esq. Tea in schoolroom 5 p.m., business meeting to follow. Those intending to be present should notify me not later than Wednesday, June 30th. — B. Redgwell, Hon. District Secretary, The Street, Rayne, Braintree.

#### COLLEGE YOUTHS AND CITY CHURCHES.

At the meeting of the College Youths held on June 15th, the following resolution was adopted: 'The Ancient Society of College Youths desires to emphatically protest against the removal of the City churches, and will most cordially support any effort which the City authorities may make to save these valuable monuments.'

#### A TRIPLE CELEBRATION.

The peal at Feering, Essex, on June 5th, was rung in honour of the birthday of H.M. King George V., also as a birthday compliment to Frank Claydon (one of the band) and in honour of the wedding of Mr. R. Fisher (also a member of the local company), and Miss M. Reddick, which took place the previous Wednesday at All Saints' Church. The bells were fired at the conclusion of the peal, and the ringers were congratulated by the Vicar on the excellent striking throughout the peal. The band were afterwards entertained to an excellent repast by Mr. and Mrs. R. Fisher, to whom, as well as to the Vicar for the use of the bells, they tender their best thanks.

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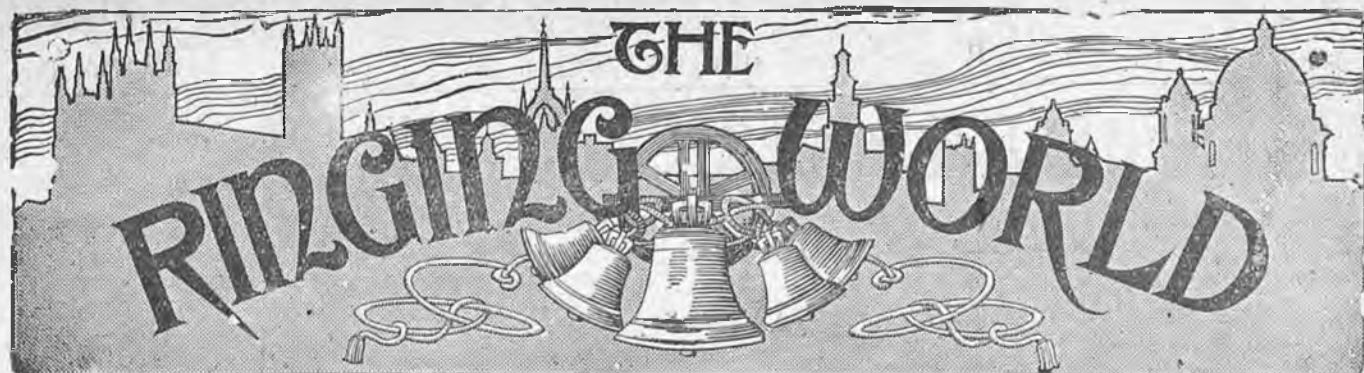
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## NEW FIELDS.

The art of change-ringing never stands still, there are always new worlds to be conquered and new fields to be explored. When the investigation of six-bell methods had been completed, and there seemed nothing else to be achieved in Minor, enterprising ringers found interest and further variety in splicing methods together to obtain the extent. The exploration of eight-bell methods is not yet complete, but we are beginning to hear of a similar splicing of Major methods as an added spice to the charms of peal ringing. Last week was recorded a peal by the Cambridge University Guild in which Bob Major and Little Bob were combined, and, rung double handed, it was certainly no mean performance. This week is recorded a peal which, under the name of 'Worcester,' is a combination of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. The author, to whose ingenuity the Exercise owes a great deal, puts forward the claim that by the adoption of the plan now published, a peal can, for the first time, be got without bob or single!

Put shortly, Worcester Treble Bob means that Kent Treble Bob is rung, but, when a bob is called, Oxford places are substituted for Kent places, and the contention is, we suppose, that, as both forms of place-making are plain-lead forms, no bobs are made throughout the peal. We can see a nice point here for discussion. According to the standard work on the subject, 'The Glossary,' a bob is a call made 'to cause certain bells (three, or other uneven number) to effect an alteration in their regular work'; and a 'plain lead' is 'a lead introduced without "a call."' Now we have this proposition: here is a method in which a call is made to effect an alteration in the regular work of the bells, but instead of it affecting an uneven number, it affects an even number, and in that respect it does not comply with the preconceived notions of a bob. On the other hand, the change of place-making is introduced by a 'call,' and, according to 'The Glossary,' that lead cannot therefore be termed a 'plain lead.' These seem briefly to be the points, and the claim of the author must be left to wiser heads than ours to settle.

But what we want to draw attention to is that the evolution of ringing is going on. In the practice of Major ringing, these two instances of the amalgamation of methods to obtain a peal may be only a small step, but it opens the way to greater possibilities, of which ringers will only be able to reap full advantage when they have in their possession the collection of eight-bell methods which the Central Council's committee have partly completed and partly in preparation. We may yet see the day when five thousands are made up of a variety of methods, when with every call the bells will switch on to a fresh method, and so add to the present intricacies some further allurements to those who practise the art.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

BIRMINGHAM.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Tuesday, June 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 35 cwt.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... ..	Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... ..	7
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... ..	2	*REV. R. F. WILKINSON ... ..	8
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... ..	3	ERNEST MANSELL ... ..	9
ALBERT WALKER ... ..	4	JAMES E. GROVES ... ..	10
J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... ..	5	JOHN NEAL ... ..	11
FRANK W. PERRENS ... ..	6	SYDNEY J. JESSOP ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES.

Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

\* First peal on twelve bells and in the method, and hails from Mansfield, Notts. Rung as a welcome to Dr. Willink, Dean of Norwich.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

GLOUCESTER.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
(THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS).

On Thursday, June 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

*THOMAS ELLIS ... ..	Treble	CHARLES DYSON ... ..	6
CHARLES H. AUSTIN ... ..	2	ALFRED G. HANNIS ... ..	7
JOHN AUSTIN ... ..	3	EX-SERGT. J. WILLIAMS ... ..	8
JESSE GILLET ... ..	4	ERNEST E. DAVIS ... ..	9
CAPT. A. A. BENNETT, C.A. 5		THOMAS WHITING ... ..	Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

\* First peal. The above peal was rung, with the bells half-muffled, on the occasion of the unveiling of a Tablet in the Church to the memory of those who had laid down their lives in the Great War.

CAMBERWELL, S.E.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5030 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

*ALBERT C. V. GASSON ... ..	Treble	†WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... ..	6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... ..	2	ERNEST A. REEVE ... ..	7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	3	ISAAC ATTWATER ... ..	8
†ERNEST J. KING ... ..	4	JAMES GEORGE ... ..	9
HORATIO J. GUMMER ... ..	5	*ROBERT G. CHAPPELLE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal. † First peal on 10 bells. First peal of Stedman Caters.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes, 8  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5008 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30½ cwt.

MISS HILDA F. WILLSON ... ..	Treble	T. HENRY HARDY ... ..	6
JOHN H. GRUNDY ... ..	2	H. EDWARD NORMAN ... ..	7
WILLIAM SMITH ... ..	3	JAMES HARRIS ... ..	8
HORACE STUBBS ... ..	4	WILLIAM WILLSON ... ..	9
ERNEST LESLIE ... ..	5	WILLIAM THORLEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

The ringers of treble, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th belong to St. John the Divine, Leicester, and desire to thank the Rector for the use of the bells; no opportunity for a ten-bell peal being obtainable by them in their own town.

BROMFIELD, SHROPSHIRE.—For morning service, on June 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes): \*J. Potter 1, F. E. Gregory 2, D. T. Matkin 3, †P. Lane 4, W. R. Nash (conductor) 5, \*E. Goddard 6. \* First quarter-peal. † First quarter-peal of Doubles. Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, Canon Chesshire.



## LONDON.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

(LATE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY, SOUTHERN DISTRICT).

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... Treble	GEORGE A. CARD ... 6
HAROLD P. BURTON ... 2	FRANK BALL ... 7
ERNEST J. KING ... 3	*WILLIAM ESSARY ... 8
ISAAC ATTWATER ... 4	HARRY MANCE ... 9
*LIONEL H. PAGE ... 5	WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... Tenor

Composed by G. R. FARDON.

Conducted by H. MANCE.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## WORCESTER.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

(WESTERN BRANCH AND THE CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

On Saturday, June 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

## A PEAL OF WORCESTER TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... Treble	GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... 5
FRANCIS W. NEATE ... 2	JOHN J. JEFFRIES ... 6
WILLIAM C. JONES ... 3	WILLIAM LEWIS ... 7
WILLIAM RANFORD ... 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... Tenor

Composed by the Rev. E. BANKES JAMES.

Conducted by W. PAGE.

First peal of Worcester Treble Bob ever rung.

## PRESHINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

HARRY HALL ... Treble	ROBERT RAYNOR ... 5
ROBERT RICHES ... 2	EDWARD JENKINS ... 6
ERNEST LINCOLN ... 3	WALTER RICHES ... 7
JOHN ETHERIDGE ... 4	ALBERT RICHES ... Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by E. JENKINS.

## MINEREADE, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

*HENRY LOUIS ARSCOTT ... Treble	†FREDERICK DATE ... 5
*FRANCIS GEORGE ARSCOTT ... 2	WILLIAM HOYLE ... 6
GEORGE STACEY ... 3	GEORGE ATKINS ... 7
JOSEPH PARKER ... 4	WILLIAM THORNE ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE ATKINS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples. The ringers of the treble and 2nd were elected members of the Association before starting for the peal.

## DERBY.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

†WILFRED H. BOXTON ... Treble	CHARLES DRAPER ... 5
*WILLIAM FOYSER ... 2	JOHN W. GLEW ... 6
†JOHN HAYNES ... 3	†ARTHUR B. STONE ... 7
*HARRY THORPE ... 4	*JOSEPH LORD ... Tenor

Composed by B. ANNABLE.

Conducted by JOHN W. GLEW.

† First peal of Major. \* First peal of Bob Major. First peal of Major as conductor. Rung with the bells deeply muffled on the anniversary of the death of Trooper W. J. Davis.

## RUSPIER, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 13, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN RICE ... Treble	EDWIN F. PIKE ... 5
WILLIAM HEWETT ... 2	FRANK BENNETT ... 6
HENRY STALHAM ... 3	ARMIGER J. TROLLOPE ... 7
ISAAC EMERY ... 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

## LEIGH, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION,

(BOLTON BRANCH.)

On Monday, June 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

F. BANK'S NO. 1.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*DAVID SMITH ... Treble	WILLIAM HAYES ... 5
WILLIAM SMITH ... 2	HENRY SMITH ... 6
HENRY HAYES ... 3	SAMUEL ARROWSMITH ... 7
SAMUEL HAYES, SEN. ... 4	SAMUEL HAYES, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by HENRY SMITH.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. S. Hayes, who has attained the age of 63 years. \* First peal. First peal as conductor. The composer and the ringers are all Leigh men.

## BRISTOL.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Monday, June 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JACOB,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... Treble	*PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... 5
*MRS. RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... 2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... 6
*MISS ANNIE BROWN ... 3	JOHN A. BURFORD ... 7
ALFRED E. REEVES ... 4	*WILLIAM A. CAVE ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by WILLIAM A. CAVE.

\* First peal of Bob Major. Thanks are due to Messrs. Knight and Burford for filling vacancies at very short notice.

## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, June 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE M. KILBY ... Treble	*GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... 2	ALBERT W. COLES ... 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... 7
CHARLES T. COLES ... 4	WILLIAM PYE ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method, also first in the method on the bells.

## BARWELL, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6008 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM WHITE ... Treble	EDGAR VALLANCE ... 5
HARRY BROUGHTON ... 2	FRED COTTON ... 6
WILLIAM H. HUMBERSTONE ... 3	GEO. P. GARNER ... 7
CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... 4	FRED H. DEXTER ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRED H. DEXTER.

FEERING, ESSEX.—On Tuesday, May 11th, at All Saints' Church, a date touch of Bob Major (1920 changes), in 1 hr. 15 mins.: H. J. Langston (longest length) 1, F. Claydon 2, W. H. P. Mellin 3, P. J. Langston 4, J. C. Newman 5, C. J. Rogers 6, R. Fisher (longest length) 7, W. Keeble (composer and conductor) 8. This date touch in 17 courses was rung on the 17th anniversary of the record peal of London Surprise Major, in which the conductor rung the 6th.

## PETERBOROUGH.

## THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.

At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 27 cwt.	
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... Treble	*FREDERICK T. COOKE ... 5
PHYLLIS HARE ... 2	*HUGH BEECHY ... 6
*THOMAS VAGHAN ... 3	TOM TEBBUTT ... 7
†GEORGE BARKER ... 4	†TOM HOWLING ... Tenor

Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

\* First peal in the method. † rooth peal. † First peal. This is the first peal in the method on the bells and also for the Association. It was arranged for the coming of age birthday of Miss Phyllis Hare, the ringer of the 2nd.

## EYNSFORD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.

At the Church of St. Martin.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION.

THOMAS BOOKER ... Treble	ALBERT BATES ... 5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 2	EDMUND G. BATES ... 6
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... 3	GEORGE DURLING ... 7
ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 4	JOHN WHEADON ... Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

Rung after meeting short for Treble Bob, Mr. T. Booker obliging. It was G. Durling's rooth peal, and was rung in honour of the anniversary of J. A. Bate's wedding.

## BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN WATSON ... Treble	JOHN SANDERSON ... 5
LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... 2	EDWIN OGDEN ... 6
THOMAS WILSON ... 3	WILLIAM E. WILSON ... 7
ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... 4	JAMES H. BANKS ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by J. H. BANKS.

First peal of Treble Bob on the bells. First peal in the method by ringers of the 2nd and 5th. It was also the conductor's 50th peal.

## HARMSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE FLINTHAM ... Treble	JOHN WALDEN ... 5
*COOK WELLS ... 2	WILLIAM CLARKE ... 6
*JOHN T. WELLS ... 3	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... 7
GEORGE CHESTER ... 4	CHARLES W. P. CLIFTON ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN A. FREEMAN.

\* First peal of Stedman. First peal upon the bells.

## TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BOLTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes.

At the Church of St. George.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

*ROBERT ALLRED, JUN. ... Treble	ROBERT ALLRED, SEN. ... 5
HARRY ALLRED ... 2	*THOMAS ALLRED ... 6
HERBERT ALLRED ... 3	JOHN POTTER ... 7
HENRY SMITH ... 4	WILLIAM PENNINGTON ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to T. Allred. The ringer of the treble is 16 years of age. R. Allred, sen., has now rung a peal on every bell in this tower.

## SOUTHOVER, LEWES.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes.

At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

ALBERT D. STONE ... Treble	ALFRED CRIPP ... 5
ROBERT J. DAWE ... 2	ALFRED J. TURNER ... 6
JESSE POPPLETT ... 3	KEITH HART ... 7
GEORGE PIPER ... 4	RICHARD HIDE ... Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

## BIRCHINGTON-ON-SEA.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. JOHN'S SOCIETY, DEPTFORD.)

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 9 cwt. approx.

ROBERT A. FOSDIKE ... Treble	FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON ... 5
JOHN CROWDER ... 2	ERNEST B. CROWDER ... 6
THOMAS A. EASTERBY ... 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... 7
EDWIN J. FANNETT ... 4	CHARLES H. MACKLIN ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES.

Rung on the occasion of the annual outing of the St. John's Society, Deptford, and was the conductor's 200th peal.

## BLETCHINGLEY, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

OLIVER SIPPETTS ... Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... 5
HENRY F. EWINS ... 2	AMOS W. CLARK ... 6
WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... 3	GEORGE ILLMAN ... 7
ALBERT HARMAN ... 4	ALBERT ELLIS ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD.

Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## TUNSTALL, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single and Plain Bob.

WILLIAM WOOD ... Treble	THOMAS JOLL ... 4
WILLIAM NYE ... 2	WILLIAM WALKER ... 5
EDWARD H. SPICE ... 3	WILLIAM SPICE ... Tenor

Conducted by W. SPICE.

First peal on these bells since the beginning of the War, and rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss G. S. Doubleday and Mr. E. Boulding.

## BILLINGBORO', LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes.

At the Parish Church.

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cuncastre, Wells, Durham, Surfleet, Beverley, London and Cambridge. Tenor 9 cwt.

*H. WAND ... Treble	JAMES OSBORN ... 4
JOHN W. LAKE ... 2	ALBERT S. ALLEN ... 5
†THOMAS L. EAINBRIDGE ... 3	†ARTHUR I. HOLMES ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. LAKE.

\* First peal. † First Surprise peal in seven methods. First Surprise peal on the bells.

FORTISHEAD, SOMERSET. — At St. Peter's Church, on Sunday, June 6th, for evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: Miss Dorothy Willett 1, Miss Alice Stokes 2, Miss Adelaide Stokes 3, Miss N. Gillingham (conductor) 4, E. J. Goldstone 5, J. Nisbet 6, W. Gillingham 7, A. L. Gale 8. First quarter-peal by the ringers of treble and 2nd, whose ages are 13 and 14 years respectively.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A very pleasant meeting of the North and East district was held at All Hallows, Tottenham, on June 19th. Ringing commenced about 4 o'clock, and continued until 5.30, when a short service was held, at which the members of the Association were welcomed by the Rev. Denton Jones, who also gave a very interesting address on the subject of bells and their uses.

Tea was afterwards served in the Church Hall, and an excellent meal was enjoyed. Before the business meeting was held a course of Grandsire Caters was rung on handbells, brought by Mr. J. Rayner, by Messrs. A. Mason, C. T. Coles, W. Pye, C. Charge, and G. Fletcher. At the meeting the chair was taken by Mr. W. Orusha, who was supported by Mr. A. Richards, both being churchwardens. The former gave the society a hearty welcome to Tottenham, and said how glad they were to hear the bells again after their long silence through the war, and during the period prior to their being rehung. He hoped the society would prosper, and continue its good work.

Before the meeting closed, the Hon. Secretary proposed a vote of thanks to the Rev. Denton Jones for the use of the bells, and for his address at the service; and thanks were also given to the churchwardens, and to Mrs. Orusha and friends for their helping to make the meeting a success by preparing such an excellent tea for the ringers.

The bells were afterwards made much use of, the methods rung including Bristol, London, and Superlative Surprise, besides Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Kent and Double Norwich. In spite of the short notice given, brought about by a mishap to the advertisement sent to 'The Ringing World,' there was a good attendance, and including reinforcements after tea, about 40 members were present during the afternoon and evening.

**ACCIDENT TO MR. J. W. SEAMER.**

The ringing friends of Mr. J. W. Seamer, of Grimsby, will be sorry to hear that he has met with a rather serious accident. While at his work he got his right hand drawn into a circular saw, with the result that he has lost three finger-ends, and had the other finger and thumb badly lacerated.

Mr. and Mrs. Seamer wish to thank all friends for their kind letters of inquiry and sympathy. It has been quite impossible, under the circumstances, to answer each letter individually, and they trust this will be accepted as an acknowledgment of their kind expressions of sympathy.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.****ANNUAL MEETING AT RETFORD.**

One of the best annual meetings of the North Notts Association was held at East Retford on Saturday week. Ringers were present from Anston, Barlboro', Harthill, Shireoaks, Norton Cuckney, Rotherham, Workson, Tuxford, Lancham, Lincoln, Gainsborough, Misson, Ordsall, and East and West Retford; also Mr. Joseph E. Sykes, of Huddersfield. Some good ringing took place at all three churches in the old borough; at East Retford, Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob Major, Grandsire Caters and Bob Royal, conducted by C. Ryder, A. Hague and H. Haigh; at Ordsall and West Retford, a variety of six-bell methods, conducted by F. Hargreaves, C. F. Fowler and J. S. Betts.

Upwards of 50 ringers sat down to a good meat tea at Howard's Restaurant, presided over by the Vicar of East Retford (the Rev. C. Bailey). Afterwards twelve new members were elected from Barlborough, Tuxford, Lancham, East and West Retford and Workson.

The next quarterly meeting was fixed for Blyth, in July. The re-election of all officers, with Mr. Joseph Hall, of Workson, as assistant secretary, took place, after which came a hearty vote of thanks to the incumbents of the three churches for placing the bells at the disposal of ringers during the day.

The Rev. C. Bailey replied, and welcomed the ringers to East Retford. They had got practically a new band at his tower, and he rejoiced to know that they were keenly interested and making good progress as probationers.

Further ringing took place, and brought a most enjoyable meeting to a close.

The balance sheet showed receipts amounting to £11 4s., and expenditure to £11 17s., with a balance in hand, or invested, of £22 3s. 10d.

The report recorded two peals rung during the year, and a roll of 13 honorary, 127 performing and 21 probationary members.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.**—On Sunday, June 6th, on the occasion of the dedication of the Memorial Altar and Reredos in the Parish Church by the Bishop of Birmingham a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 55 mins., with the bells half-muffled: W. Leeson 1, C. Bragg 2, E. C. Shepherd (composer) 3, G. A. Martineau 4, H. Bragg 5, H. Shepherd 6, S. Bragg 7, R. Bragg (conductor) 8, 1. Bragg 9, W. H. Smith 10.



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## WORCESTER TREBLE BOB.

BY THE REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

This method, the first peal in which was rung at Worcester on June 5th, is a combination of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. The main body of the peal is Kent, but when a call is made two sets of Oxford places are substituted for the Kent places as the treble dodges in 1-2 down and 1-2 up. By making a call at 3 in every course we get a five lead course in which neither the tenor nor the 7th ever goes in slow. We can put together 60 of these courses, and so get a peal of 9600 changes. The call takes effect during the next eight changes after it is made. A peal without a bob or a single in it is, I believe, a novelty.

A call at 3.  
— 64128375  
61482735  
16847253  
61842735  
16487253  
14678523  
41765832  
14768523  
41675832  
46157382  
etc.

## LEAD ENDS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—In reference to the leading article in your last issue, may I say that I hope later on to send to your columns a short and concise statement of what, in my opinion should be the principles and rules to which 'regular' methods should conform? Hitherto my task has been the unwelcome one of pulling down, i.e., of showing the fallacies and worthlessness of the Committee's Report on Legitimate Methods, and it is only fair that having, as I contend, demolished it, I should erect something to take its place. What we all want is not mere negative criticism, but positive work—work which I can assure you that at least I myself shall find far more agreeable.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

## WEIGHTS OF TENORS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In looking through reports of peals rung, I have been struck with the great uncertainty which appears to exist as to the weight of tenor. In the last three or four issues of the 'Ringing World,' I find about a dozen tenors which appear to have lost weight, the loss varying from  $\frac{1}{2}$  cwt. to actually 8 cwt.—since the year 1919; while in one or two cases the tenors have put on weight—one of them no less than 2 cwt.—within the last few months. In none of these instances has there been any recasting noted, which might account for it. May I appeal that greater care be exercised by those who furnish reports of peals?—Yours faithfully,

St. Philip's Vicarage, Bristol.

MICHAEL E. THOROLD.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

### RETIREMENT OF CANTERBURY DISTRICT SECRETARY.

The annual meeting of the Canterbury District was held at Chatham on Saturday, June 26th, when 35 members from various towers attended. The usual procedure was followed—ringing, service, tea, business, ringing.

The Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, district secretary for the last four years wrote to say he must decline the honour of re-election, as owing to his distance from a station, and living on the edge of such a large district, he found he was unable to carry out the duties of the office satisfactorily.

Mr. E. G. Buesden (Canterbury) was elected as successor to Mr Cobbe.

Messrs. C. R. Millway (Dover) and F. G. Brett (Canterbury) were chosen as representatives on the Central Committee. Sixteen new members were elected, and it was arranged to hold meetings at Birchington and Quex Park in the autumn, at Teynham in the spring, and at Dover in the summer.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

### AWAKENING ENTHUSIASM IN THE NORTHERN DIVISION.

The quarterly meeting of the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association took place at Scarborough. Upwards of thirty ringers were present from Pickering, Helmsley, Malton, Thornaby, Fylingdales, Tanfield and Scarborough. During the afternoon and evening St. Mary's beautiful peal of eight bells was at the disposal of the visitors. A short service was held, at which the Rev. MacLaren gave a helpful address. Tea was provided in the Parish Room, after which the business meeting was held, the Rev. E. Drage (vice-president) presiding.—A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the Rev. C. C. Cooper, Vicar of Scarborough, for his kindness in placing the bells at the disposal of the visitors, and to the Rev. MacLaren for his efforts towards making the day a success.—The Rev. C. C. Marshall, president of the association, wrote expressing his regret at not being able to be present, and conveying his good wishes for the success of the meeting. After much discussion, it was decided that an effort be made to amalgamate the Cleveland Association with the Yorkshire Association. It was the general opinion of those present that if such a union could be brought about much good would result from it.

Twenty-one new members were elected from the various towers in the district, a fact which indicates the growing enthusiasm of the ringers, and speaks well for the future prosperity of the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association.



## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

(Continued from Page 315.)

### CITY'S THREATENED CHURCHES.

Canon Elsee moved a resolution: 'That an appeal be sent by this Council to the Bishop of London's Committee, urging the desirability of preserving all towers in the City of London in which there are notable rings of bells.' He said everyone knew that in the recent report of the Bishop of London's Committee it was recommended that 19 London Churches should be removed. In the case of some of them they proposed to retain the towers, but he thought the Central Council would be fully justified as a body representing the bell ringers of the country in urging that all the towers should be retained.

The Hon. Secretary said Major Hesse had raised the same question in a letter which he had written to him.

Canon Elsee said he thought if the Council went outside what was in that resolution they would be venturing on rather difficult and certainly debatable ground. Although their sympathies might be very strongly on one side or the other, without full information they would, he thought be ill advised to express any opinion on the question whether City churches in certain cases should be removed. With all sympathy for preserving ancient buildings and churches, in the present state of the needs of the Church as a living body, he thought they would not be justified in criticising what a responsible committee had advised. Their ground was different, however, when they spoke about the towers in which there were notable rings of bells, and for that reason he proposed the resolution. He imagined that all the towers contained bells, but in some cases there would be only a very few bells of no particular interest or value, but there were some of the churches suggested for demolition that contained very notable rings of bells. It was proposed to retain certain of the towers, but he thought it would strengthen the hands of those who desired to retain them if they passed that resolution.

The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards seconded, and said he would like to see the resolution extended to the churches themselves.

Mr. G. P. Burton moved that they should add to the resolution words which would include the churches as well as the towers. He wanted to strengthen the resolution, for it would appear that this procedure would not merely apply to London. There were signs that the same harmful movement was going on in his own city of Norwich. The city was full of churches, and Bristol might also share the same fate. As Churchmen and bell ringers they should protest against the action Bishops were taking over this matter. He hoped, therefore, they would adopt a stronger resolution than had been proposed by including the churches.

Mr. T. Faulkner, as a London ringer and the representative of a society (the College Youths) that rang at most of the City churches, said he felt it was an act of gross vandalism to destroy those churches. After all, the churches had been consecrated and dedicated to the glory of God and they had no right to desecrate them for the sake of pounds, shillings and pence. There was no resolution that could be too strong to condemn the proposed action (applause). There were signs of this thing happening in other towns and they should protest against the desecration of God's House (hear, hear).

The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards: Liverpool is already suffering.

Canon Baker said the amendment touched upon ground on which they were not, as a Council, entitled to express an opinion any more than they were upon any other burning question of the day. To do so would be opening the door to the introduction of a wide number of subjects which had nothing to do with them, from Free Trade to Pussyfoot organisation (laughter). They had to do with bells and bell ringing, and, therefore Canon Elsee's proposition was in order, and was one which they could well support. If they went beyond that they would be going beyond their legitimate purview, however much they might feel on the subject individually.

Canon Coleridge said he could not vote either way on this matter. It was quite true the daily press had had great headlines, 'Destruction and Demolition of City Churches,' but that was a small part of the whole thing. He was not going to be led away by scare headlines in the daily press. There was a great deal of substance in the report that deserved the consideration of all Churchmen before they proceeded to vote upon it.

Mr. Burton's amendment, on being put, was declared defeated by 18 votes to 14.

Another amendment was moved by the Rev. H. Drake to add the words 'at least' before the word towers, but this was also lost, and the resolution as moved by Canon Elsee was then put and carried.

### COLLECTION OF RECORDS.

The Council then came to the consideration of the first resolution on the agenda paper, Mr. E. H. Lewis having given notice to move the following: 'That the Council compile and keep up to date an official list of the first peal and longest peal rung in each method and on each number of bells.'—The Hon. Secretary, in the absence of Mr. Lewis, moved the resolution, and quoted from a letter from Mr. Lewis in which the latter said that his idea was exactly what was detailed in that week's 'Ringing World' editorial. He thought a record should be kept of the first peal and each subsequent longer length in each method on each number of bells. The original compilation would take a good deal of work, but a great deal might be done by corres-

pondents in different parts of the country. The standard methods had been well done in Snowden's series. Once the back numbers were hunted out it would not be difficult to keep up to date, if the Peals Analysis Committee could undertake to pass on to the committee, which would probably have to be appointed to keep the record, a list of the claims to first peals which they came across in making up the analysis. If the committee were to publish their work in sections, asking for corrections and additions a fairly accurate historical record could be made before it was too late.

The Rev. H. Law James seconded the motion, which was adopted without discussion, and the following members were appointed a committee to carry out the work and to be known as the 'Records Committee': The Rev. A. T. Beeston, the Rev. H. Law James, and Mr. T. Hervey Beams.

### A SCIENTIFIC EXHIBIT.

Mr. E. A. Young moved: 'That the Central Council take steps to approach the authorities of the Victoria and Albert Science and Art Museum with a view to the possibility of obtaining from them the allotment of a suitable space for the exhibition in London of bells, models, papers, drawings, etc., illustrative of campanology as a science and art.' Mr. Young said he had thought for some years past that, from a propaganda point of view, they might do more to educate the public, and a cheap way to do it, if they could only get the Government to fall into line, was to place in a museum an exhibit showing what they had done were doing, and were trying to do. It did not follow that they would get this space allotted to them, but he thought they should endeavour to do so. Knowing there was no exhibit of the kind in any of the museums he interviewed, Mr. Dickenson, an assistant director on the science side at Kensington, and he seemed a little astonished at the subject, but he kindly allowed him (Mr. Young) to explain it. He thought he converted him to the view that there was something in it. Mr. Dickenson inquired whether it was a science or an art, and he (the speaker) suggested that it was both, and that the exhibit might be erected on these lines, but when it was hinted to him that this would involve putting part of the exhibit in one museum and another part in some other part of London, he thought that would be very undesirable. He had the privilege when at Birmingham of seeing that wonderful machine of Mr. Carter's, and the thought passed through his mind, 'What was to become of it when he had passed away? It was a masterpiece, and its resting-place should be in some such place as these great galleries devoted to science which they had in London. London was the centre of the Empire, and there was no city or town which ringers as a whole visited so much as London. If they could persuade the Government to give them a space they might put there, among other things, some of the remarkable old peals boards which were now neglected in some of the towers or photographic copies of these, and the remarkable old documents which existed in the British Museum. These, with models and other items would go to make up an exhibit which would be national in character, and would show future generations that there was something more in ringing than most people appreciated.

The Hon. Secretary in seconding, said Mr. Carter's machine was a most wonderful thing, but the Council had no call on it whatever. He had, however, often been puzzled as to what was to become of it when Mr. Carter was dead and gone, but he would be rather sorry to see it placed in a museum, for this reason, it was a machine and if they once put it in a museum no one would ever know all the beauties and wonders of it, and no one would see the working of it. But as far as everything else that had been mentioned he would like to see them in a museum.

The President said he believed Mr. Carter had made his own arrangements as to the future of the machine.

Suggestions were made that the exhibit should be extended to originals and models of ancient and famous bells not necessarily connected with change ringing, and the methods of hanging from the most primitive type to the latest patterns.

The resolution on being put was carried.

### NO CHANGE IN DATE OF MEETING.

The Rev. H. Drake moved: 'That arrangements be made for the Council to hold its annual meeting on the Tuesday after the first Sunday after Trinity' (i.e., a fortnight later than at present). He said he had really no wish to bring forward any ideas of his own, he simply desired that they might vote as to what was the wish of the Council and what was the most convenient day. He had tried three times to draw discussion on it in 'The Ringing World,' but each time he had drawn a blank. The present date, he thought was inconvenient to many of them because they had the annual meetings of their own associations on the previous day, and if they attended to the duties of their associations it was obvious that only those who lived in that part of England where the meeting was to be held could attend the Council meeting the next day. There was another reason which applied to some of them, they had other things to occupy them during the holiday. Those who were parsons and church workers had church work which occupied them, and there was a conflict in the claims upon them at this important season of the Church's year. It had been suggested that the Council should meet on the Tuesday after August Bank Holiday but there were objections to that as it would interfere with the holiday season. He thought, therefore, if they made it a fortnight later than at present it would be sufficient.

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Mr. E. A. Young formally seconded the motion.

Mr. Rock Small raised strong objection on the ground that the working men members would not be able to attend except at a time when there were general holidays.

The Hon. Secretary thought if they altered the day to the one now proposed they would halve the attendance, and Mr. George Bolland said Whitsuntide was the most convenient time. If they wanted to alter the date at all let them make it Whitsun Monday.

The Hon. Secretary: I can see what you want to do, you want to get rid of the parsons (laughter).

Mr. Bolland: The parsons can come at any time, we can't; we have business to attend to (laughter).

Mr. W. E. White said the working men could not afford to have another holiday a fortnight after Whitsun.

Canon Coleridge referred to the remark made by Mr. Drake, that those who had association meetings on the previous day could not attend if they had to go to another part of England. They had there a splendid example to refute that. The Rev. Maitland Kelly, president of the Devon Guild, attended the meeting of the Guild in Exeter on the previous day, and was there in Northampton last morning, and he was only excelled in age by Mr. Rock Small himself (applause).

No one voted in favour of Mr. Drake's motion, which was, therefore, defeated.

The only other notice on the agenda had been given by Mr. John Carter 'to consider the question of the term "Surprise Method," and, if thought advisable, to move a resolution.' As Mr. Carter was not present, the Council decided to pass on to the next business.

#### VOTES OF THANKS.

The President moved a vote of thanks to the Mayor and Corporation of Northampton for allowing them the use of the Council Chamber, and remarked that they were especially grateful to the Mayor for his kindness in welcoming them personally, and for his interesting speech (applause).—The motion was unanimously carried.

The Hon. Secretary said the arrangements for the meeting were supposed to fall upon the secretary, but when the meeting took place in the country he always found a good friend to do the work for him who knew the ropes better than he did, and on the present occasion no better or fuller arrangements could possibly have been made than had been made by their friend, Mr. Wilford (applause). Personally, he felt he owed him a deep debt of gratitude for all he had done for obtaining the use of that excellent and comfortable chamber, and for his arrangements for the ringing which had been made. He wished, therefore, to propose a very hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Wilford for what he had done.—This was at once carried by acclamation.

Canon Coleridge proposed a vote of thanks to the President, and remarked, amid applause, that he was sure it would be the desire of the members that Mr. Boughey should continue to occupy the office.

The President, replying, said that anything that lay in his power he was only too happy to do. His services were at their disposal as long as he could give them, but it was most important that when the new Council assembled there should be a new president more active, more vigorous and more capable than their present president, though he could not exceed him in his desire to further the interests and welfare of the Council. In conclusion he thanked the secretary, the librarian and others who had done the work.

The meeting then terminated, and the members adjourned to St. Giles' Hall, where they were the guests at tea of the Central Northants Association, a hearty vote of thanks being accorded to the association for their hospitality.

Later in the evening there was a social gathering at the Grand Hotel.

#### BELL BEARINGS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—We see by your report that Cullompton bells are hung on ball bearings, which, the writer states, is different from our design, which he says is that of rollers. First, please, let us contradict his statement. Our patent adjustable bearing contains no rollers or ball races, as these are useless in a bearing for the pendulum motion a bell has. The weight of a bell when rung thrusts itself threefold. The result is that the bottom balls or rollers take all the weight. After a time the case hardening wears off these rollers and balls, and the bell goes hard—proof may yet find this out.

The patent adjustable bearings we make, and which are in use throughout Devon and Cornwall on over 3,000 bells from 30 cwt. downwards, give the highest satisfaction. They consist of a solid gun metal round ball. This is fitted to a pedestal into which a stud is fitted to prevent the ball from turning round. The axle of the bell fits and swings in the middle of the ball, and is allowed to oscillate to any angle, where there is a sinkage in the frames or beams, or headstock. The ball gives to the swing of the bell and axle, thus providing an even bearing. There is a top cap fitted on this with a recess for oil; also a canopy to prevent dust and grit. It is self-lubricating. We hope shortly to send an illustration for publication in the 'Ringing World'. Much has been said by Guilds and ringers who are ignorant of what the bearing we use is like.—Yours faithfully,

Chagford, Devon.

WM. AGGETT AND SONS.

#### NOTICES.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Meeting at Finchingfield, July 3rd. Bells (8) ready at 2 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Address by A. W. Ruggles-Brise, Esq. Tea in schoolroom 5 p.m., business meeting to follow.—B. Redgwell, Hon. District Sec., The Street, Rayne, Braintree.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Summer quarterly meeting at Barnet on Saturday, July 3rd. Tea to those who notify me by June 30th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at Loughborough on Saturday, July 3rd. Ringing at All Saints', Stanford, and the Bell Foundry. Committee meeting 4.30, tea 5, and general meeting after tea, in Fearon Hall, near All Saints' Church.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Secretary, Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 3rd, at Newhey. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—Meeting at Whitchurch on Saturday, July 3rd. Tower open at 2.30. Short service at 3.45. Tea at 4.30 followed by business meeting.—C. D. P. Davies, Hon. Dis. Sec., Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late St. James's Society).—Estab. 1824.—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, July 3rd, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual Summer Festival will be held at Woburn on Saturday, July 3rd. The fine peal of eight bells available from 2 p.m. Service 4.15; tea 5 o'clock.—Edward P. Duffield, Hon. Sec., Sharnbrook, Beds.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The July meeting will be held at Dore on Saturday, the 3rd. Tea will be provided at a charge of 1/6 per head.—Sam Thomas, 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, July 3rd. Tea 5.30.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood St., Sandford Hill, Longton, and J. Johnson, Stoke-on-Trent, Hon. Secs.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Peterborough on Saturday, July 3rd. St. Mary's bells open afternoon and evening, and Woodston from 3.30 to 9 p.m. Meat tea at the Co-operative Society, Park Road, at 5 p.m., 2/4 each. All ringers are welcome.—S. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Bletchingley on Saturday, July 3rd. Tower open 3 p.m. Eight bells. All ringers cordially invited.—H. F. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Estab. 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at Perry Barr on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Guild's Service in Church at 4.15. Tea (followed by business meeting) will be kindly provided by the Vicar in the Church Room.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.



**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Christ Church, Bacup, on Saturday, July 3rd. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.30. A good attendance is requested.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A mid-week meeting will be held at Northaw on Wednesday, July 7th. Bells available from 7 to 9.30. Nearest stations Cuffley and Potters Bar, G.N.Rly. Trains from Kings Cross 5.59, 6.19, 6.42 and 6.57, from Broad Street at 5.50, 6.3 and 6.27. All ringers welcome.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—The summer meeting will be held at Bere-Regis on Thursday, July 8th. Bells from 2 p.m. Guild service at 4.30, followed by tea (kindly provided by friends) and meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Minehead on Saturday, July 10th. Meeting in the Parish Room at 2.45; tea at Stephens' Refreshment Room at 4 p.m.; Service in the Parish Church at 6 p.m.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at Clare, Saturday, July 10th. Tea 1/6. Those who intend to be at the tea, please let me know by July 5th.—A. Symonds, Lavenham.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—The annual district meeting and election of officers will be held at Lowick on Saturday, July 10th. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.—J. Nickerson, Halford Street, Thrapston, Dist. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—A by-meeting will be held at Prittlewell on Saturday, July 10th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Will all those intending to be present advise me as soon as possible, or at latest by July 5th, in order that satisfactory arrangements for tea can be made?—E. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Bridlington on Saturday, July 10th. By kind permission of the Rector, the bells of the Priory Church (8) will be available all day; these bells are by Taylor, Loughborough (tenor 26½ cwt.). Service in Church at 4.30, with an address by the Rev. Canon Topham. Meat tea at 5, 2/6 per head. Business meeting to follow in the Parish Church Institute. All members requiring tea please notify Mr. J. W. Cowling, 62, St. John Street, Bridlington, not later than Tuesday, July 6th.—W. Hinton, Hon. District Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above Branch will be held at Clitheroe on Saturday, July 10th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Penwortham on July 10th. Bells (6) available from 3 to 9 p.m.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec., 98, Victoria Road, Walton-le-Dale, Lancs.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Prestwich on Saturday, July 20th. Bells available at 3.30. Meeting at 7 p.m.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A special meeting will be held at Barnsley (St. Mary's Tower), July 10th, at 4 p.m., to which all towers are requested to send representatives. Business: To settle the affairs or continue the Association as may be decided at the meeting.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Rd., Barnsley.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—The dedication of the two new bells at North Mymms will take place on Sunday, July 11th, at the morning Service by the Archdeacon of St. Albans. An opening meeting will be held on the following Saturday, July 17th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Any ringer coming by bus can get off at South Mymms and walk through the woods. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms, Hatfield, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James's Society).—The quarterly general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes on Monday, July 12th. Tower open at 6.45 p.m. Business meeting at 8.30 p.m. sharp.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Sec., 49, Noel Street, Islington, N.1.

**LINCOLNSHIRE AGRICULTURAL SHOW, GRIMSBY,** July 14th, 15th and 16th.—Ringers visiting the above Show who would care to have a ring on either of the above days, please write to J. W. Seamer, 9, St. Augustine Avenue, when the necessary arrangements will be made for them to do so.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Reading on Saturday, July 17th. The bells at St. Giles' will be available from 2 p.m.; St. Lawrence from 4.15 to 4.45. Service at St. Giles' at 5, followed by tea at 5.45. Business meeting afterwards. Will all who intend being present notify me by Wednesday, July 14th? All ringers invited.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 17th, at St. Margaret's Lee, S.E. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at Kingswood Hall, followed by business meeting. Will members requiring tea kindly let me know not later than July 12th?—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Heathfield on Saturday, July 17th. Tower open from 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 at the Star Inn. Half railway fares (maximum 2/-). Those intending to be present kindly let me know by Monday, July 12th.—George W. Stokes, Div. Hon. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Maldon on Saturday, July 17th. All Saints' and Mary's towers open afternoon and evening. Service at All Saints' 5 o'clock. Tea 5.30 at Saltmarsh's Tea Rooms, followed by business meeting. Will all members intending to be present advise me at latest by July 14th?—P. Timson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at East Peckham on Saturday, July 17th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea (by kind invitation of the Vicar) at the Vicarage at 5.45, followed by business meeting. All members intending to attend must notify the District Sec. not later than Tuesday, July 13th.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.



**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting and a six-bell contest will be held at Sandal on Saturday, July 17th. The draw will take place at 3 p.m. prompt. Tea (1/6 each) will be provided for those who notify me not later than Monday, July 12th.—Willie Frith, Sec., 5, Sufton Street, Birkby, Huddersfield

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

#### DEATH OF A LANCASHIRE RINGER.

In bell ringing circles, both far and near, the news of the death, on Tuesday week, of Mr. John Millett, of Heywood, will be heard with feelings of profound regret. The deceased, who was 57 years of age, had been a ringer at St. Luke's Church, Heywood, for the long period of 41 years, and he was also one of the old handbell ringers in the town. The late Mr. Millett was a member of the College Youths, and the conductor at St. Luke's, and had rung 55 peals.

At the funeral, which took place on Saturday last, Heywood ringers acted as bearers, and the Lancashire Association was represented by members from Pendleton, Middleton, Moorside, Gladwick and Oldham. Owing to a prior engagement the president of the association (Rev. Canon Elsee, M.A.) was unable to be present. As Mr. Millett had also been a respected sidesman, the service was fully choral. Mr. Stanley Roberts presided at the organ, and the officiating clergyman both at the service and the graveside was the Rector (Rev. J. H. Clark, B.S.). At the conclusion of the last sad rites, a course of Grandsire Triples was rung most effectively over the grave by Messrs. H. Chapman, J. Schofield, S. Stott and E. B. Shaw.

**ST. ANDREW'S, BILLINGBOROUGH, Lincs.**—On June 4th, 720 Bob Minor: R. Hugh Richardson 1, George Carpenter 2, William Dickinson 3, William R. Hare 4, W. Edward Allen 5, 2nd Writer C. Glenn, R.N. (conductor). 6. First 720 by 2, 4 and 5, who belong to the local band.

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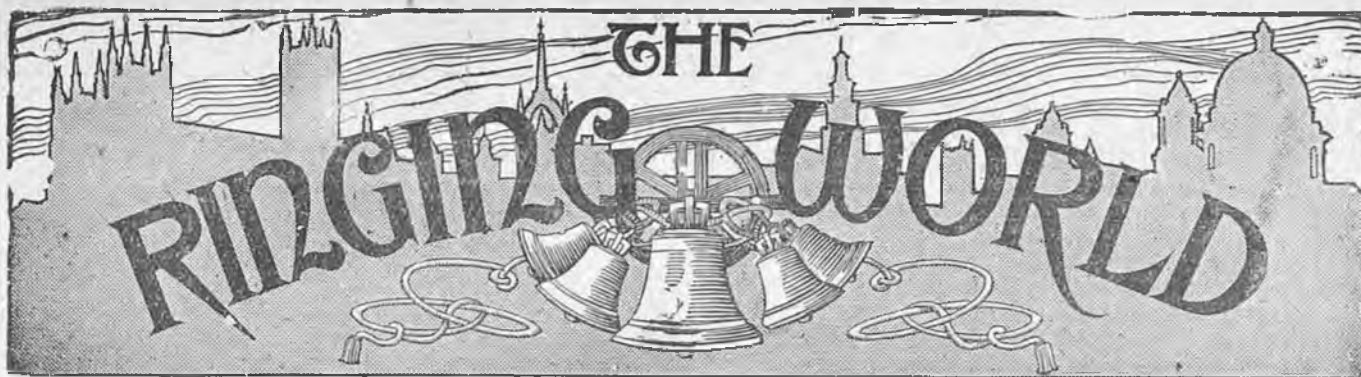
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## MORE ENCOURAGEMENT WANTED.

A few weeks ago we urged upon Associations the importance and value of making greater efforts to interest the six-bell ringers, pointing out that in many cases very little is done to encourage the men in these towers to advance in the practice of Minor methods. It opens a field for much useful work, and needs to be approached in a broader spirit than that displayed in the policy of holding an occasional district meeting at a six-bell tower. In one or two notable cases combined practices at six-bell towers have become a regular part of association work.

There is, of course, every reason why the men of six-bell towers should not only be welcomed to belfries with rings of eight or more bells, and encouraged to become proficient on the higher numbers; but it should also be recognised that eight, ten or twelve bell ringing is not in itself the be-all and end-all of ringing. There are hundreds of six-bell towers throughout the country where men have little prospect of going, as a matter of regular practice, beyond the range which these limited rings offer, and the object of every Association being to encourage the art of change ringing, this limitation ought to be more fully recognised and greater opportunities made of raising the standard of the methods rung. There are many six-bell bands who have nothing to learn in the way of striking, and who set an example which not a few companies ringing on higher numbers could well afford to emulate, yet so far as encouragement in their own branch of the art is concerned, they receive none from their parent Association, or at most only a kind of patronising approval.

A real active policy, generally adopted, and not acted upon, as at present, in a few isolated cases, is required, and good results would soon be apparent. Even the eight and ten bell men would, on their part, find a new interest if they would seriously tackle the ringing of the multitudinous methods which are now practised on six, and extend these operations to the performance of spliced extents. The gain would, therefore, be mutual, and we hope to see Associations before the summer is out planning measures by which they will be able to extend practical and regular help to their six-bell towers, and especially to those who are backward in the campanological sense. It is often said that those ringers who desire to get on will make their own opportunities of doing so. This is true, for they succeed despite all the discouragements. How much more, therefore, might be done by giving these men full encouragement and a greater incentive to progress? For every one who now gains proficiency by self-made opportunities, half a dozen might be set upon the high road to success.

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### A NORTHANTS WEEK.

GRANFORD, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

On Monday, June 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

In seven methods, viz., Double Oxford Bob, Double Court Bob, Worcester Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

*JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. Treble	THOMAS GARLEY ... .. 4
CHARLES W. BIRD ... .. 2	†B. F. SHEPHERD ... .. 5
WALTER T. WILSON ... .. 3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal other than Doubles. † First peal on tower bells and first in seven methods. This was the conductor's 250th peal.

RUSHTON, NORTHANTS

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight and a Half Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. PETER AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being one extent each of Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, Worcester Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb.

MISS ADA DRAGON ... .. Treble	WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... .. 4
*SAMUEL BURDETT ... .. 2	GEORGE A. BLAXLEY ... .. 5
*JAMES BUTLER ... .. 3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in six methods.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Wednesday, June 16, 1920, in One Hour and Fifty Five Minutes.

IN THE RECTORY GARDEN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;**

*B. F. SHEPHERD (Trinity) ... 1-2	†J. BUTLER (Fitz. Hall) ... 5-6
E. M. ATKINS (Cath.) ... 3-4	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 7-8

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal away from the tenors. † First peal on inside pair of bells.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 7 extents in 8 methods, viz., Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford Bob and Oxford Bob Spliced, Double Court Bob, Plain Bob, Worcester Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr.

JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. Treble	WALTER T. WILSON ... .. 4
*JAMES BUTLER ... .. 2	WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... .. 5
GEORGE A. BLAXLEY ... .. 3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in 8 methods. This was the conductor's 100th peal for the Central Northamptonshire Association.

ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt.

E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. Treble	HARRY PEET ... .. 5
†JAMES BUTLER ... .. 2	CHARLES W. BIRD ... .. 6
*CECIL CHAPMAN ... .. 3	DAVID J. NICHOLS ... .. 7
†WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... 4	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by D. J. NICHOLS.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First peal in the method.



**TEN BELL PEALS.**

WARWICK.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

*EDWARD H. JOHNSON ... Treble	HARRY ARGYLE ... 6
FRANK E. PERVIN ... 2	*DOUGLAS ARGYLE ... 7
*JOSEPH E. FENTON ... 3	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... 8
*JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... 4	*WALTER J. PINFOLD ... 9
THOMAS MALE JUN. ... 5	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... Tenor

Composed by H. J. TOCKER. Conducted by A. ROBERTS.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Royal as conductor. The first peal of Bob Royal by the Warwickshire Guild. First peal of Bob Royal by all the band except ringer of second. Arranged as a birthday peal for the Master of the Guild on attaining his 50th birthday. First peal of Royal on the bells.

WALTHAMSTOW, E.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... Treble	JAMES C. ADAMS ... 6
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... 2	JOHN H. WILKINS ... 7
HENRY RUMENS ... 3	GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. ... 8
*CHARLES A. HUGHES ... 4	FREDERICK C. MAYNARD ... 9
CHARLES T. COLES ... 5	WILLIAM H. FREEMAN ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.  
\* First peal on ten bells and in the method. Rung to celebrate the first anniversary of the proclamation of peace.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

PERSHORE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 30 cwt. in D.

*JOSEPH HALL ... Treble	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... 2	CHARLES CAMM ... 6
†HUBERT SALISBURY ... 3	JAMES HEMMING ... 7
WILLIAM NEED ... 4	*GEORGE ASHLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by JAMES HEMMING.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First peal of Grandsire Triples.

WOELINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN ... Treble	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 5
ERNEST E. GRIMES ... 2	EDWARD JENKINS ... 6
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... 3	WILLIAM BURGESS ... 7
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 4	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by E. JENKINS.

First peal in the method by W. E. Maulden. First peal in the method as conductor. Quickest peal of Major on the bells.

NORTHAMPTON.—Central Northamptonshire Association. — On March 15th, at St. Giles' Church, Northampton, 1920 Stedman Caters in 1 hour 16 minutes: W. Rogers 1, S. F. Millward 2, W. J. Allen 3, J. W. Metherell 4, J. W. Sharp 5, L. H. Key 6, J. T. Hensman 7, S. J. Lawrence (composer and conductor) 8, G. Flavell 9, E. James 10. Rung as a compliment to Mr. G. Flavell on the 40th anniversary of a peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

HITCHIN.—On Sunday, June 6th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 50 mins. E. J. Newell 1, E. W. Day 2, J. Piller 3, F. R. Bacon 4, H. E. Day 5, J. Hare 6, G. Croft 7, J. F. Foster (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in the method by local band.

EASTBOURNE SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr.

*ALFRED C. PANKHURST ... Treble	EDWARD W. BRAY ... 5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... 2	FRANK BENNETT ... 6
GEORGE W. STOKES ... 3	ERNEST GOWER ... 7
GEORGE PENFOLD ... 4	HENRY STALHAM ... Tenor

Composed by the late C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal on 8 bells and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 5th. The Band wish to thank the Vicar (the Rev. W. C. Streatfield, M.A.) for the use of the bells, and also Messrs. Lewis and Head for having everything in readiness.

ROYSTON, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ROYSTON SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, June 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

†ERNEST BONNETT ... Treble	†ROBERT G. KING ... 5
WILLIAM B. MANNING ... 2	†SAMUEL E. ROBERTS ... 7
†ROBERT HOWARD ... 3	*PERCY MUNCEY ... Tenor
†WALTER MANSFIELD ... 4	

Conducted by WILLIAM B. MANNING.

\* First peal. † First peal on eight bells. ‡ First in the method. First peal on the bells since being augmented to eight by the addition of two new trebles by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The tone and "go" are splendid, and an excellent splice has been made. Rung at the third attempt.

SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.  
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS THE MARTYR.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

W. ONLEY ... Treble	*ROBERT WALKER ... 5
GEORGE S. TAYLOR ... 2	JOHN J. LEIGHTON ... 6
THOMAS H. NAISBY ... 3	JOSEPH W. PARKER ... 7
MICHAEL F. HARRISON ... 4	ROBERT L. PATTERSON ... Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Conducted by ROBERT L. PATTERSON.

\* First peal of Major.

SAMLESBURY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(PRESTON AND LIVERPOOL BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD-THE-LESS.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.

E. R. MARTIN ... Treble	WILLIAM RIMMER ... 5
JAMES MARSH ... 2	EDWARD ARMSTRONG ... 6
JOHN GARDNER ... 3	*FRED HARWOOD ... 7
JAMES TAYLOR ... 4	*ALEC MARTIN ... Tenor

Conducted by E. R. MARTIN.

\* First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman on the bells, many previous attempts by different bands having been lost owing to the noise in the ringing chamber.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5240 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

PERCY MAY ... Treble	ARTHUR S. BOAR ... 5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ... 2	WILLIAM BURGESS ... 6
GEORGE FLEMING ... 3	CHARLES H. CATCHPOLE ... 7
GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 4	ALBERT FLEMING ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

**SIBLE HEDDINGHAM, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLÉ NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

*ARTHUR WASH ... .. Treble	*OLAVE BROYD ... .. 5
LEWIS WISEMAN ... .. 2	*SIDNEY HALE ... .. 6
FRANK CLAYDON ... .. 3	ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. 7
HORACE COOPER ... .. 4	DAVID ELLIOTT ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by DAVID ELLIOTT.

\* First peal in the method.

**LEISTON, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. Treble	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 5
ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. 2	JAMES G. ROMSEY ... .. 6
*GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 3	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 7
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 4	CHARLES SAMPSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method. C. Sampson has now rung every bell in the above tower to a peal.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

**GREAT HAMPTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.**

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)**

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 4½ Six Score, with ten different callings. Tenor 10 cwt.

HARRY GOULD ... .. Treble	EDMUND ROBBINS ... .. 4
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... .. 2	ARTHUR JORDAN ... .. 5
JOSEPH ROBBINS ... .. 3	JAMES HEMMING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES HEMMING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to those from Great and Little Hampton, numbering 25, who made the supreme sacrifice in the Great War. The peal preceded the dedication of a church tower clock and the unveiling of a War Memorial.

**HACKFORD AND WHITWELL, NORFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*MATTHEW TIMBERS ... .. Treble	*W. J. WASEY ... .. 4
*ALBERT J. NEALE ... .. 2	*WALTER FORD ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. BARBER ... .. 3	W. C. MEDLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

\* First peal on tower bells.

**ADDINGTON MAGNA.**

**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION**

On Sunday, June 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court and Oxford Bob.  
Tenor 10 cwt.

JOHN BALL ... .. Treble	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 4
FRANCIS BALL ... .. 2	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 5
GEORGE LINES ... .. 3	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

**PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**

**THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, June 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob, Double Oxford and Plain Bob  
Tenor 8½ cwt.

ELSIE BRANDON ... .. Treble	GEORGE H. BARKER ... .. 4
JOHN J. JUTSON ... .. 2	FRANK ROWLINSON ... .. 5
*WILLIAM WALDRON ... .. 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal in seven methods.

**BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.**

**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven different 720's.

ROBERT SUMMERS ... .. Treble	JOHN BEVAN ... .. 4
†ARTHUR W. POSTON ... .. 2	JOHN CLARK ... .. 5
*WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

\* First peal. † First peal away from treble. - Rung to celebrate the marriage of A. E. Gwynne, for several years a ringer of this parish.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

**ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX.**

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Sunday, June 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
At 24, SUFFOLK ROAD, PONDER'S END.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 1-2	JOHN THOMAS ... .. 5-6
FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... .. 3-4	FRANK JELF ... .. 7-8

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

Witness: Mrs. J. THOMAS.

**EDMONTON,**

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At 82, STANLEY ROAD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

WALTER J. BOWDEN ... .. 1-2	JOHN THOMAS ... .. 5-6
WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 3-4	EDWARD H. KING ... .. 7-8

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. J. Hazell.

**CAMBRIDGE.**

**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

*W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 1-2	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHVEY (Trin.) 3-4	*B. F. SHEPHERD (Trin.) ... 7-8
†J. BUTLER (Fitz. Hall) ... 9-10	

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal of Caters. This was the conductor's 100th peal in hand.

**CAMBRIDGE.**

**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**

On Monday, June 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 1-2	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHVEY (Trin.) 3-4	*B. F. SHEPHERD (Trin.) ... 7-8

Composed by T. LOCKWOOD

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in the method.

**BISHOP AMONG RINGERS.****INTERESTING RECORDS UNVEILED AT WELLS.**

It is not often that ringers take tea with a Bishop, and it is certainly unique to unveil a Deal board recording two such peals as one to celebrate the Armistice and the other to commemorate the completion of fifty years' office as Bishop by the Right Rev. Bishop Stirling, D.D., canon-in-residence at Wells Cathedral. Nor, thank goodness, does it always rain as it did on Saturday, when the unveiling ceremony took place. A representative body of ringers was present, including Messrs. W. and P. Cave, S. Abraham, A. Reeves, J. Tyler and Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins, of Bristol; Mr. T. King, of Bath; Mr. J. Dyke, of Midsomer Norton and Messrs. Griffin and Poin, of Ilminster, whilst the Cathedral ringers were present in good numbers, headed by that enthusiast, Mr. Walter Farley. The unveiling was performed by Dean Armitage Robinson, who, in a happy speech, referred to the two events to commemorate which the peals had been rung. He eulogised in glowing terms the work of the Bishop, and paid a graceful tribute to the excellence of the ringing.—Mr. W. A. Cave and Mr. T. T. Hayward replied in suitable terms.

A short touch of Grandsire Caters was rung by the peal band, and was followed by a touch of Stedman Caters. The party then adjourned to tea, the Bishop presiding in a genial manner which won the hearts of all. Tea over, handbells were produced and used in Grandsire Caters, tunes, and 'the Skolking-Lady,' the latter alleged to have emanated from the fertile brain of Mr. John Carter.

Thanks to the Bishop were ably expressed by Messrs. Wilkins and Hayward. His Lordship suitably replied, and after shaking hands with all present, in his own words, 'went to tell his wife what nice people the ringers were.'

A little light was shed on the Bishop's work, on which he is very reticent, by the Rev. R. E. Lewis, of the Wells Grammar School. At the age of twenty-five, Bishop Stirling was told by a specialist that he had but two years to live. He at once determined to spend those two years in missionary work. The field he chose for that work was Tierra del Fuego, where, according to Darwin, the inhabitants were less than human. Either, said he, they will get me or I shall get them. With what success he got them, in spite of daily danger, is now well known. Now, at something over eighty years of age, the Bishop can look back on a life's work well done. The specialist prophesied badly, but he did better than he knew.

With something to think about, the party again went to the tower, where that noble ring of bells was kept going to several more touches until train time.

**LADIES' GUILD.****MIDLAND DISTRICT MEETING.**

A quarterly meeting of the Midland District was held at Erdington Parish Church on June 26th, members being present from Solihull, Stirchley, Smethwick and Erdington. The bells, a light, easy-going ring of eight, were utilised during the afternoon, and a service was held, at which the Guild form was used, the presence of the organist being much appreciated. In the absence of the Rector, the service was conducted by the Rev. C. W. D'Ombraim, chaplain in charge of St. Chad's Church, who gave an inspiring address. After service a photograph of the group was taken near the church door. A move was then made to the Church House, where an excellent tea, provided by the local company, was in readiness, and which was partaken of by between 30 and 40 members and friends, presided over by the Rev. C. W. D'Ombraim.

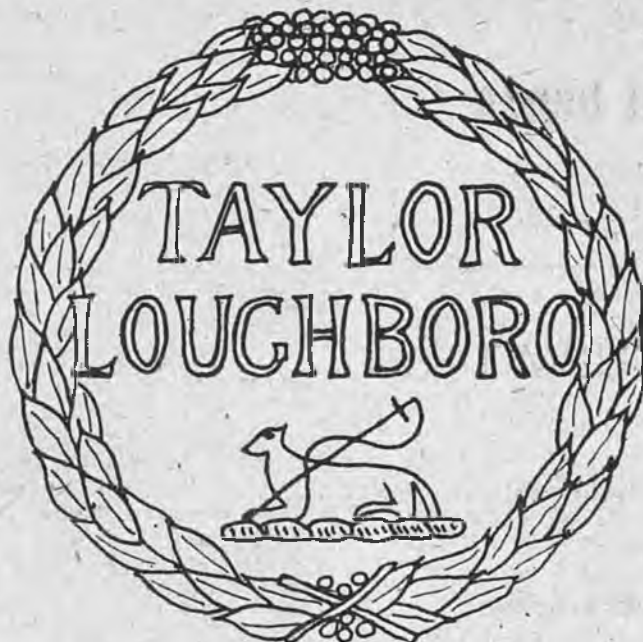
Before the business meeting, a hearty vote of thanks was proposed by Miss S. Pigott, seconded by Miss A. E. Foster, of Solihull, to the Rev. C. W. D'Ombraim for his services in church and presiding at tea, to the organist, and to Mr. Preston and the local company for having everything in readiness, and entertaining the Guild to tea.—This was carried with acclamation, and Mr. Preston, in responding, expressed the pleasure it gave them to welcome the Guild. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Preston, and it was decided to hold the next gathering at Selly Oak, in September, subject to the necessary permission being given.

After the meeting Mr. Preston, on behalf of the local company, invited the Guild to join them at an outing to be held in July. This was received with much pleasure, and the suggestion adopted. The bells were afterwards kept going to touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major by mixed companies until a very enjoyable meeting was brought to a close about 8 p.m.

**WESTERN DISTRICT.**

There was a meeting for practice at Portbury, near Bristol, on Thursday evening, July 1st, but once more the members were very unfortunate in the weather, and only a small number braved the elements. Those whose enthusiasm conquered their fear of a wetting enjoyed a good practice in four methods, viz., Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman and Kent Treble Bob, kindly coached by Mr. R. J. Wilkins.

Portbury bells, after being unringable for some time, have lately been rehung by Messrs. Llewelling and James, of Bristol. This is the first time in their history that these bells have been rung by six ladies, and the best thanks of the Guild are due to those who gave them the opportunity.



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## THE ANALYSIS.

In our leading article on June 18th we did the Central Council's Analysis Committee an injustice. We stated that the committee had failed to award points for peals in new methods rung, and that their omission to do so certainly detracted from the value of the analysis, so far as the points are concerned. We based this statement on the fact that neither in the table of analysis nor in the report was the allocation of points to these new methods shown, but Mr. A. T. King, chairman of the committee, informs us that points were allotted and included in the total points. Mr. King says the committee gave Victory Major the same as other Little Bob Methods, which are in Class III., viz., 12 points; and College Major (the committee thought came under Class VIII., and awarded it 16 points, the same as Double Norwich. To College Single, which could hardly be counted as a new method, they awarded eight points. We are glad to have the opportunity of correcting any false impression we may have created, but the misapprehension would not have occurred in our minds, and in the minds of many others, had the committee indicated in their report what points had been allocated.

## LONDON'S THREATENED CHURCHES.

We are indebted to Mr. J. R. Jerran, of Salisbury, for the following interesting information about the bells in the threatened City Churches:—

### THE BELLS AND THEIR FOUNDERS.

St. Michael, Cornhill.—12 bells, tenor 14 cwt.—1 and 2, Thos. Lester 1746; 3, 4, 6, 7, 9 and 10, Richd. Phelps, 1726; 5 and tenor, Thos. Mears, 1795; 8, Thos. Lester 1740; 11, Mears and Stainbank, 1910.

St. Magnus, London Bridge.—10 bells, tenor 22 cwt.—1, Thos. Mears, 1843; 2, Robt. Catlin, 1748; 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, Richd. Phelps, 1714; tenor, Thos. Mears, 1831.

All Hallows', Lombard Street.—10 bells, tenor 19 cwt.—1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9 and tenor, Richd. Phelps, 1726; 4 and 8, Thos. Lester, 1750. These bells were brought from St. Dionis Backchurch, when it was demolished in 1876.

St. Dunstan-the-East.—8 bells, tenor 21 cwt.—1, Richd. Phelps, 1718; 2, Thos. Lester, 1746; the back six all by Abraham Rudhall, 1700.

St. Dunstan-in the-West.—8 bells, tenor 19 cwt.—All by Thos. Mears 1832.

St. Botolph, Aldgate.—8 bells, tenor 29 cwt.—1, 2, 3 and 4, Thos. Lester 1744; 5, 6, 7 and tenor, Lester and Pack, 1764.

St. Stephen, Coleman Street.—8 bells, tenor 14 cwt.—1, 2, 3, 5 and 6, James Bartlet 1693; 4 and 7, John Waylett, 1722 and 1721; tenor, Thos. Mears, 1833.

St. Vedast, Foster Lane.—6 bells, tenor 16 cwt.—1, 2, 3 and 5, John Darbie, 1671 and 1672; 4, Thos. Mears, 1797; tenor, Richd. Phelps 1726.

St. Mary Woolnoth.—3 bells (in intervals of thirds), tenor 12 cwt.—William Eldridge, of Chertsey, 1670 and 1672.

St. Mary-at-hill.—3 bells, tenor 11 cwt.—All by W. and T. Mears, 1788.

All Hallows', London Wall.—2 bells.—Both Lester and Pack, 1766. Service bell 40in. Call bell 21in. diameter.

St. Katherine Coleman.—2 bells.—Both Thos. Lester. Service bell 36in.; cast 1741. Call bell 21in.; cast 1749.

St. Clement, Eastcheap.—1 bell, 7 cwt. Thomas Mears, 1829.

St. Alban, Wood Street.—2 bells.—Service bell 4 cwt., by John Peele, 1704; call bell, 1 cwt., by Lester and Pack, 1767.

St. Anne and St. Agnes.—1 bell, 4 cwt., by John Warner and Sons, 1858.

St. Botolph, Aldersgate.—2 bells.—Service bell, 12 cwt., C. and G. Mears, 1847; call bell, 2 cwt., dated 1755.

St. Mary, Aldermanbury.—2 bells, largest 5 cwt.—1, Thos. Mears, 1809; 2, James Bartlet, 1675.

St. Michael, Paternoster Royal.—1 bell, about 2 cwt.—Mears and Stainbank, 1892 (former bell by John Hodson, 1674).

St. Nicholas Cole Abbey.—1 bell, 25in. diameter.—Richard Phelps, 1727.

## STOW AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Stow and District Association was held at Shouldham, Norfolk, on Saturday last, when about 25 members attended, representing Denver, Fincham, Gaywood, Hilgay, King's Lynn, Swaffham, Terrington St. John's, Wallington, West Dereham, and some of the local ringers. During the afternoon and evening this beautiful peal of six was at the disposal of the visitors. Tea was provided on the Lawn at the Vicarage by the Vicar and Mrs. Price, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was accorded, on the motion of Mr. J. E. Sykes, seconded by Mr. Harry Robinson.—The business meeting followed, when nine new members were elected from various towers in the district, which speaks well for the future prosperity of the Association. Afterwards touches of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples were rung on the handbells. The tower was again visited, when the methods rung included Plain Bob and Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Gaywood on September 25th.



**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.****HOW MARPLE OBTAINED ITS FINE BELLS.**

The third meeting of the year of the Stockport Branch was held at Marple, on Saturday, June 26th, about sixty members and friends attending. The service was conducted by the Rev. A. T. Beeston, in the absence of the Vicar, who was busily occupied with a garden party at the Vicarage. Tea was served in the School Room, and was followed by the usual business meeting. The chair was occupied by Mr. J. Heckingbottom, of Denton, and the Secretary reminded the members present of the annual Guild meeting to be held at Oxtou, on August Bank Holiday. He also brought forward, for careful consideration, the question of the printing of the annual report. In view of the surprising increase in the estimates, he had withheld placing the order for printing. What action would be taken would be decided at the annual meeting; nevertheless, much discussion took place, and several proposals were made to meet the difficulty.—Five new members were admitted, and Warburton fixed as the place for the next meeting, to be held on Saturday, August 28th.

The business concluded with votes of thanks to the Vicar and wardens for the use of church, bells and schoolroom, and to the local ringers and ladies for the excellent catering arrangements.

The fine old ring of six were well requisitioned until a pretty late hour. They were cast by Rudhall, of Gloucester, and were hung in the Parish Church of Stockport, in 1731, where they remained until they were taken down in 1810. For some years they were stowed away, partly in the hearse house, and partly in an old mill. The successors of Messrs. Rudhall having contracted for a new peal in 1816, offered £400 for the old ring of six, but owing to their sweet tone, a strong desire prevailed that the bells should be retained in the parish, and as Marple Church had been rebuilt with a tower, the Stockport Parish Church authorities resolved that Marple should have the preference of purchase at the price offered by Mr. Rudhall. An appeal was made to the inhabitants of Marple not to suffer the bells to be conveyed from amongst them for ever. As a result, several local gentlemen guaranteed the amount and concluded the bargain. The same day, April 29th, a dray was sent for the tenor and treble, and two carts for the remaining four. On June 30th, 1816, they were opened, and the day kept as a gala day. They were rehung in the early part of 1835 by Messrs. Taylor and Co., and reopened on Easter Sunday of the year by the Hayfield ringers.

It is strange to note that there is no record of a peal having been rung on them.

The church is on an eminence which commands an extensive view of the bold swelling hills of Derbyshire, and of the more fertile vales of Cheshire, and no situation could be better adapted to give the full effect of the uncommonly fine tone of the bells.

On the present occasion, several visitors ascended to the top of the tower and found sufficient reward for their effort in the prospect presented to their gaze.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A very successful meeting of the Northern District was held at All Saints', Edmonton, on Saturday, June 26th. This fine peal of bells, situated amidst pleasant surroundings, attracted a large number of ringers. The methods rung were very varied, including Superlative, Cambridge, London and Bristol Surprise, and the striking was excellent.

At the business meeting the chair was taken by the Master (Mr. W. G. Matthews), one new member being elected, viz., Mr. Amos Clarke, of Croydon.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, also to the ever-genial stepladder, Mr. G. Paice, for having everything in readiness, and who, with the local band, helped to make the meeting a very pleasant and successful one.

After the meeting, touches of Stedman and Grandsire Caters were rung on Mr. Barker's new peal of handbells by Messrs. W. Hazell, A. D. Barker, F. G. Symonds, J. Thomas and Mrs. Thomas.

**WELL-KNOWN RINGER'S MARRIAGE.**

The marriage has recently taken place at St. Paul's Church, Burton-on-Trent, where he was formerly a ringer, of Mr. William C. Wakley and Miss Elsie Haynes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Haynes, Gordon Street, Burton. The Wakley family, who came from Devonshire at about the time the church was opened in the seventies, have been connected with St. Paul's ever since then until recently, when they returned to their native county. The ceremony was performed by the Vicar (the Rev. S. G. W. Maitland). Given away by her father, the bride looked charming in soft white satin, trimmed with silver and embroidered with lovers' knots. She carried a sheaf of choice white flowers. Her attendants were her sister Doris, and Miss May Wakley (sister of the bridegroom), who were attired in grey crepe, embroidered with pink, and hats to match. The duties of best man were carried out by Mr. J. H. Bonstead. In celebration of the event the bells rang out merrily.

Mr. W. C. Wakley and his bride are making their home at 'Blenheim', Dawlish.

**SIX NEW BELLS AT CANONBURY.****DEDICATION SERVICE.**

The first anniversary of the signing of peace was honoured at St. Paul's, Essex Road, Canonbury, by the dedication and inauguration of a chime of six bells, which marks the thanksgiving of the church for victory and peace. A large congregation attended the special service. The first lesson was read by the Rev. John Pitts, minister of Salter's Hall, Essex Road, and the second by the Rev. Hugh Parr, minister of Harecourt Chapel. Prayers were said by the Rev. T. Hope Steen, Vicar of St. Matthew's Church. In the galleries were the children of St. Paul's day schools, and previous to the sermon they gave a nicely-rendered piece.

The sermon was by the Rev. H. Foster Pegg, M.A., Vicar and Rural Dean, of Battersea, from a pulpit that was draped with the Union Jack he gave a telling discourse.

Then followed the dedication of the bells. Accompanying the clergy to the belfry, the Marquis of Northampton inaugurated the chiming, the first tune being that of a hymn sung during the service, 'We love the place, O God.'

The Vicar, the Rev. C. W. Cooper, in thanking all who had helped said there was still £150 to raise to complete payment for the bells. A collection was taken on behalf of the fund.—After the Blessing the National Anthem was sung.

The bright tuneful notes of the bells could be heard for some distance, and many people gathered in the neighbourhood to listen. The performance which followed the church service was by Mr. Cyril Johnston, of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, at whose foundry the bells were cast. The bells are a chime of six with a tenor of 6½ cwt. in B flat, with a piano-clavier for chiming.

In the evening a social gathering was held at Canonbury tower.

**OXFORD GUILD.****MEETING AT CHALFONT ST. PETER.**

A pleasant little summer time gathering of ringers of the Oxford Guild took place in the picturesque parish of Chalfont St. Peter, when evening service was held at the Parish Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. S. A. Whittington).—Canon Coleridge, who made a long journey from Camleigh, by rail and cycle, gave an address of much value and interest to the ringing craft, founded upon the three-bell work of the favourite method of the late Master of the Guild, and the lesson of the Holy Trinity thereby conveyed to all Churchmen. Tea was provided at the Church Room, the windows overlooking the churchyard adjoining, with the old brick tower smilingly looking down upon the company as much as to say, 'Don't be too long over the tea cups, there are other tongues that need wagging.'

About 30 members were present from some 14 towers of the branch, and the kindness of the ringers and Vicar in giving hospitality was much appreciated.—The Vicar said how pleased he was to welcome them to Chalfont, and regretted to say he had lost the help of the Rev. J. F. Aimes, who was not able to be present after making preparation for this meeting, and looking forward to it as a sort of farewell before taking up duties at Chesterfield. He also referred to the work of Mr. Stone (foreman) and Mr. Gutteridge (instructor) in the district.—A vote of thanks was cordially given to the preacher and all those who had helped to make the party welcome and happy, to which Canon Coleridge and Mr. Stone replied.

The Branch Secretary took the opportunity to remind the company of the annual Guild Festival, to be held at Reading on 24th July. Also that the Rector of Hitcham and a team of 13 ringers had joined the branch the previous week (applause), so that the towers now totalled 33.

The belfry, a spacious one for so small a church, was well patronised from tea-time till 9 o'clock by the ladies, viz., the Misses Fuller, Cooper, Gudin, Feltham, Williams (conductor), and Patrick, who rang their six-score; and by the gentleman who rang their Cambridge. 'Brummagein' George was present to pay tribute to the shrine of his ancestors, for Buck's lays claim to him as much as Rugby. Needless to say that Sergeant Major Minor and Miss Captivating Doubles were loudly announced to the world at large on this eventful day in the reign of King Charles I., which Bucks upheld on Oak Apple Day.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, June 26th, a most successful meeting was held at Bunsey by members of the Beccles Branch of the Norwich Diocesan and Ipswich Association, the attendance numbering 24. The Vicar (the Rev. Bulstrode) and the organist (Mr. L. C. Roberts) were present at tea, and a short service was held in the grand old Benedictine Church of St. Mary. The Vicar, who became an hon. member of the association, officiated, and welcomed the members. The bells were rung in nearly all the principal methods during the afternoon and evening, and the fine-toned peal of handbells belonging to the local company were also utilised.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells of St. Mary's, also to the organist for the musical part of the service, both being much appreciated by all.

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## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING.

The 21st annual meeting was held at Stockton-on-Tees on Whit-Monday, when members attended from Northallerton, Arncliffe, Sharow, Ripon, Carlton Whitby, Scarborough, Stockton, Middlesborough, Wath, West Hartlepool, Saltburn, Marske, Darlington, etc. In the morning the committee met and discussed important business at great length. A short service was held in the old Stockton Parish Church at noon, at which the Rev. E. A. Douglas, M.A. (Vicar of Stockton) gave a most interesting and instructive address upon the ancient church and the bells, some of which date back more than 200 years. He explained the meaning of several of the stained glass windows, and also the carvings on the pew ends. One is especially interesting, from a ringers' point, having a bell, wheel and rope, just in the position of striking the last peal in commemoration to the late Mr. G. J. Clarkson, a gentleman who was one of the first to introduce change ringing into the North, and also first president of the Association.

Lunch was provided at the Spread Eagle Hotel, Stockton, the president (the Rev. J. L. Kyle) being in the chair, and presiding over the meeting which followed. The loyal toast was honoured with enthusiasm, and afterwards the secretary presented the report and balance sheet, which showed that the work of the association had been at a standstill during the years 1915-19 on account of the great war. Twenty-four members made the supreme sacrifice, and about 10 members had been engaged in the great conflict. The balance sheet showed a balance at the bank of £30 8s.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar of Stockton for his address and use of the bells, also to the Vicars of Thornaby and Middlesborough for the use of the bells at their churches were carried.

Votes of thanks were also accorded to the retiring officers for their services from the year 1915.

The officers were re-elected as follows: President, Rev. J. L. Kyle; vice-presidents, Messrs. W. Pick Sharow; J. Stott, Thirsk; G. F. Alexander, Robin Hood's Bay; J. W. Passman, Middlesborough; Mr. T. Metcalfe, hon. secretary and treasurer.

Sixteen new members were elected, and the meetings for the year were arranged as follows: September, Saltburn; Easter Monday, 1921, Whitby; annual meeting, Whit-Monday, 1921, Ripon. Ringing was done during the day in various methods, including Minor, Grandsire and Steadman Triples, Kent and Double Norwich Major, and Grandsire Caters.

## CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Northampton District was held at Kings thorpe, when about 80 members and friends attended. The Vicar (the Rev. J. E. de Putron) conducted a shortened evening service, and a collection for the Belfry Repair Fund amounted to £1 1s. 6d.

The following officers were elected: President, the Rev. Friend; committee, Messrs. F. Hopper, B. Soden, W. Atterbury, H. England, T. Law; district secretary, Mr. S. Lawrance. Tea was partaken of on the Vicarage lawn, after which the business meeting was held.—A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells and also the ladies for the bountiful tea they had provided.

Cogenhoe was chosen for the next quarterly meeting. Harlestone and St. Peter's, Northampton, for special meetings.—Two new members were elected.

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE REV. H. A. COCKEY.

A dedication service will be held at St. Anne's Church, Oldland Common, near Bristol, on Saturday, August 14th, 1920. Service, which will commence at 4 p.m., will be taken by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. Tea in School Hall, at 5 p.m., 1s. per head. Tickets for tea can be obtained from any of the Branch Secretaries of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, or direct from Edgar Guise, 39, Tankards Close, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol. Will all those who knew the Rev. H. A. Cockey make a special effort to attend?

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## MEMORIAL FUND TO DATE.

	£	s.	d.
Amount previously acknowledged in 'Ringing World' ...	42	16	9
North Nibley (Wotton) ...	4	1	8
St. James' (Third Donation) ...	0	5	0
Upper Cam (Wotton) ...	1	4	6
Stinchcombe (Wotton) ...	1	10	0
Gloucester and Bristol Association Provisional Grant ...	10	0	0
	£59	17	9

## NOTICES.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Minehead on Saturday, July 10th. Meeting in the Parish Room at 2.45; tea at Stephens' Refreshment Room at 4 p.m.; Service in the Parish Church at 6 p.m.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—The annual district meeting and election of officers will be held at Lowick on Saturday, July 10th. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.—J. Nickerson, Halford Street, Thrapston, Dist. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—A by-meeting will be held at Prittlewell on Saturday, July 10th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15.—E. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Bridlington on Saturday, July 10th. By kind permission of the Rector, the bells of the Priory Church (8) will be available all day; these bells are by Taylor, Loughborough (tenor 26½ cwt.). Service in Church at 4.30, with an address by the Rev. Canon Topham. Meat tea at 5, 2/6 per head. Business meeting to follow in the Parish Church Institute.—W. Hinton, Hon. District Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above Branch will be held at Clitheroe, on Saturday, July 10th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Penwortham on July 10th. Bells (6) available from 3 to 9 p.m.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec., 98, Victoria Road, Walton-le-Dale, Lancs.

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A special meeting will be held at Barnsley (St. Mary's Tower), July 10th, at 4 p.m., to which all towers are requested to send representatives. Business: To settle the affairs or continue the Association as may be decided at the meeting.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Rd., Barnsley.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—Two new bells at Christ Church, Southgate, will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of London on Sunday, July 11th, at the 11.15 a.m. service. The peal of ten will be rung after service and also from 2 to 3.15 p.m., and from 5 to 6.30 p.m. All ringers will be welcome. A meeting of the society will be held on August Bank Holiday, particulars of which will be given later.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Secretary.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James's Society).—The quarterly general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes on Monday, July 12th. Tower open at 6.45 p.m. Business meeting at 8.30 p.m. sharp.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Sec., 49, Noel Street, Islington, N.1.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Reading on Saturday, July 17th. The bells at St. Giles' will be available from 2 p.m.; St. Lawrence from 4.15 to 4.45. Service at St. Giles' at 5, followed by tea at 5.45. Business meeting afterwards. Will all who intend being present notify me by Wednesday, July 14th? All ringers invited. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Secretary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.



**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on July 13th, Southwark Cathedral on the 20th, St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 22nd, and \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 27th; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—An opening meeting at North Mymms will be held on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Any ringer coming by bus can get off at South Mymms and walk through the woods. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms, Hatfield, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 17th, at St. Margaret's Lee, S.E. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at Kingswood Hall, followed by business meeting. Will members requiring tea kindly let me know not later than July 12th?—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Heathfield on Saturday, July 17th. Tower open from 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 at the Star Inn. Half railway fares (maximum 2/-). Those intending to be present kindly let me know by Monday, July 12th.—George W. Stokes, Div. Hon. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Maldon on Saturday, July 17th. All Saints' and Mary's towers open afternoon and evening. Service at All Saints' 5 o'clock. Tea 5.30 at Saltmarsh's Tea Rooms, followed by business meeting. Will all members intending to be present advise me at latest by July 14th?—P. Timson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at East Peckham on Saturday, July 17th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea (by kind invitation of the Vicar) at the Vicarage at 5.45, followed by business meeting. All members intending to attend must notify the District Sec. not later than Tuesday, July 13th.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting and a six-bell contest will be held at Sandal on Saturday, July 17th. The draw will take place at 3 p.m. prompt. Tea (1/6 each) will be provided for those who notify me not later than Monday, July 12th.—Willie Frith, Sec., 5, Sufton Street, Birkby, Huddersfield.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Dorking on July 17th. Ringing at St. Martin's, Dorking, 3 p.m. to 9, and Rannmore Common 2.30 to 4.30. Service at Dorking at 5. Tea and meeting to follow. Those requiring tea should notify Mr. Ed. E. Dodd, St. Martin's Church House, Dorking, not later than July 14th.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. District Secretary.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ledbury, Saturday, July 17th. Bells available (8) at 3.30. Tea provided (5.30) to all notifying me not later than July 13th. Business meeting afterwards.—Richard Thomas, Codrington, Ledbury, Hon. Secretary.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Committee meeting 4. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock can be arranged at 2s. 3d. per head for only those who notify Mr. T. W. Chapman, 19, Glebe Road, Nuneaton, not later than Wednesday morning, July 14th. Business meeting after tea. Chilvers Coton bells will be available during the evening.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Secretary, 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wellingborough District.—The annual district meeting and election of officers will be held at Wollaston on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock.—W. Perkins, 6, Addington Road, Irthlingborough.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton Branch.—A special meeting will be held at Harlestone on July 17th. Bells ready at 3. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.—Sidney J. Lawrence, District Secretary, 7, Castilian Terrace, Northampton.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Biddenden on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged for all members who notify me of their intention of being present by July 13th.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Secretary, The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Newchurch, Warrington, on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Secretary.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Olveston on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea will be arranged (5 o'clock). A conveyance leaves Old Market Street at 2 p.m., St. James, Barton, 2.15 p.m., via Stokes Croft, Horfield and Fitton for Olveston. Leave Olveston for Thornbury 6.30. Ringing at Thornbury 7 to 8 p.m. Return from Thornbury about 8.30. Fare 4s. 9d. Please notify Honorary Secretary not later than July 10th for conveyance and tea.—P. C. Williams, 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The next meeting will be held at Mallow and Clandon on Saturday, July 17th, 1920. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 at Clandon. Address by Canon Coleridge (Vicar of Crowthorne). Tea at 5.30; 9d. to members, 1s. 6d. to visitors. Please let me know how many will require tea.—John J. Jones, Hon. Secretary, 3, Bridge Street, Guildford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 17th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Hon. Secretary.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held at Reading on Saturday, July 24th (p.v.). Service at St. Lawrence's at 11.15 a.m. Business meeting in Abbey Hall immediately after service. Dinner in Small Town Hall at 1.30. Tickets 2s. 6d. each to members, 3s. non-members. Applications for tickets, with remittance, must be made to General Secretary. The arrangements for ringing will be notified later. The Secretary has a few copies of report for 1919 with Roll of Honour at 6d. per copy.—R. T. Hibbert, General Secretary, Warren House Lodge, Caversham.



**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Eastern Division.—A by-meeting will be held at Great Horkesley on Saturday, July 24th. Bells at Wormingford (6, recently opened), and Little Horkesley (5) also available, early in afternoon. Tea, followed by meeting, at 5 o'clock. Those intending to be present kindly let me known by July 20th.—H. T. Pye, Hon. District Secretary, 49, Wickham Road, Colchester.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual summer outing of the Guildford District will be held at Ranmore, near Dorking, on August Bank Holiday. The beautiful bells of St. Barnabas will be available. By kind permission of Lord Ashcombe visitors will be conducted over the gardens of Denbies. Tea will be provided at 1s. 3d. each, at the Post Office at 4 p.m. No service. No business. No speeches.—J. J. Jones, Hon. Secretary.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Prestwich on Saturday, July 20th. Bells available at 3.30. Meeting at 7 p.m.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting of the Lewisham District, at Chislehurst, is postponed till August 7th.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Secretary.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

#### DEATH.

**BIRD.**—On July 1st, in his 56th year, William Bird, of Old Hill, Staffs.

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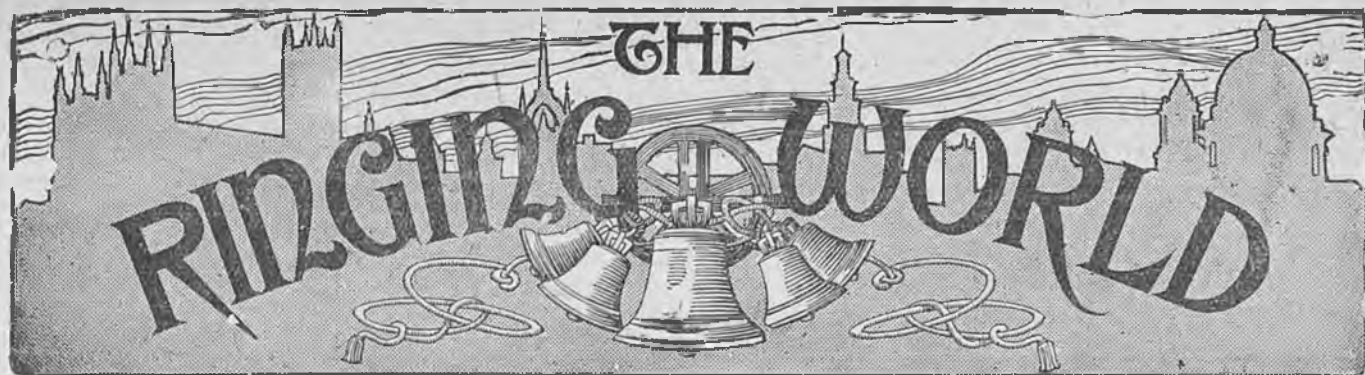
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Two points were raised during the meeting which are of interest to every ringer, and one of them has often been a bone of contention. The attendance of ringers at church after ringing for service is a subject which, to some extent, ringers get rather tired of hearing about, for, whenever the opportunity occurs, it is the unfailing theme of the clergy. There are many degrees of opinion among the ringers themselves, and most of the arguments are by this time worn threadbare. There is, however, a broad view which may very well be put forward without going to either extreme. Those who take up the art of ringing in these days are, or ought to be, churchmen from conviction. As churchmen they have a desire, and they also recognise that they have a duty to join in the services of worship in their church. Let ringers honestly discharge the dictates of conscience as churchmen and no one, we think, can find fault with them.

The other matter which the M.C.A. discussed was a very practical one, and that was the advisability of placing a 'Ringing Master' in charge of the tower on the occasion of a meeting, to obviate that very unfortunate practice, which some conductors are prone to when they find themselves in charge of a band, of long touches to the exclusion of other ringers. Nothing is more thoughtless than for a ringer to keep the bells going for a long length while others are waiting for a turn at the ropes. If no one is officially in charge of the ringing on the occasion of general gatherings of ringers, the selfish conductor gets his chance—and generally avails himself of it. A 'Ringing Master,' if only appointed for the meeting, could easily regulate the

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On Saturday, July 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt.

ALBERT W. COLES ... .. Treble	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 6
GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE ... 2	*GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 7
JOHN J. PRATT ... .. 3	WILLIAM PYE ... .. 8
CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. 4	*HENRY H. HANDLER ... 9
WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 5	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE.  
Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

\* First peal of Treble Ten. This composition is now rung for the first time.

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On Saturday, July 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19 cwt.

EDWIN SHEPHERD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RICHARDSON ... 6
WILLIAM DRAKE ... .. 2	EDMUND SARGENT ... .. 7
ALFRED MOULSLEY ... .. 3	FRANK MURPHY ... .. 8
CHARLES CARTER ... .. 4	JAMES MOSS ... .. 9
THOMAS BARTLETT ... .. 5	*ARTHUR COAD ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. SHIPWAY.  
Conducted by EDWIN SHEPHERD.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells. The 'go' is excellent, and great credit is due to Messrs. Taylor and Co. upon the successful restoration of this ring of bells.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 51528 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22 cwt.

FRANK KIRK ... .. Treble	GEORGE LINES ... .. 5
FRED STUBBS ... .. 2	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. GILBERT ... .. 3	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... 7
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 4	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.  
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DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS R. PERCIVAL ... Treble	WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 6
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 3	*STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... 7
JAMES E. GOFTON ... .. 4	R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by JOSEPH A. GOFTON.

\* First peal in the method. Mr. Wm. J. Nevard, for whom the peal was arranged, hails from Great Bentley, Essex, and was on a visit to the Royal Show, Darlington



### HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY.

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 14 cwt.	
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. Treble		JESSE PEPLETT ... .. 5	
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ... .. 2		ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. 6	
ERNEST GOWER ... .. 3		KEITH HART ... .. 7	
WILLIAM WATTS, SEN. ... .. 4		WILLIAM STENNING ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by KEITH HART.

### GUILDFORD, SURREY. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, June 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lbs. in D.	
HARRY BURDOCK ... .. Treble		MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5	
ERNEST WEATHERLY ... .. 2		WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... .. 6	
HENRY HUTTON ... .. 3		ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 7	
SGT. G. GILBERT, R.E. ... .. 4		GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

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On Thursday, July 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, RAMMOOR.

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt.

W. BURGAR (Rammoor) ... .. Treble	late 12th York and Lancaster Regt. ... .. 4
J. OSGUTHORPE (Rammoor) ... .. 2	J. EVINSON (Rammoor) ... .. 5
J. E. L. COCKEY (Rammoor), late 12th York and Lancaster Regt. ... .. 3	FRANCIS WARD (Cathedral) ... .. 6
HADYN THORPE (Cathedral) ... .. 4	SAM THOMAS (Cathedral) ... .. 7
	CHARLES HAYNES (Rammoor) Tenor

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Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

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### NORTHAMPTON. THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND.

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.		Tenor 18 cwt.	
BERTIE O. SODEN ... .. Treble		JOHN MACKAY ... .. 5	
JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 2		ALFRED J. MAWBY ... .. 6	
FRED HOPPER ... .. 3		J. WILFRED SHARP ... .. 7	
WILLIAM R. PARKER ... .. 4		ALFRED MONK ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by J. WILFRED SHARP.

First peal in the method as conductor.

**EAST GRINSTEAD.**—Sussex County Association.—On Sunday, June 20th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 48 mins.: W. Mills (first quarter) 1, G. Tizzard 2, G. Hewett 3, G. Coomber 4, N. E. Hope 5, T. Tullett 6, J. Wren (conductor) 7, S. Chesson 8. Also on Sunday, July 4th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 50 mins.: T. Baker (first quarter and first attempt) 1, G. Tizzard 2, N. E. Hope 3, G. Coomber 4, T. Tullett 5, G. Edward (conductor) 6, A. Haggett 7, S. Chesson 8.

### BRIGHTON, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 25½ cwt.	
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. Treble	JOHN CAPP ... .. 5
JOHN W. GOLDING ... .. 2	RICHARD STREDWICK ... .. 6
ARTHUR H. WHITE ... .. 3	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 7
CHARLES PALMER ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by KEITH HART.

### DULVERTON. THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.		Tenor 15 cwt.	
WILLIAM CHAPMAN ... .. Treble		ALBERT TOUT ... .. 5	
CHARLES PARKHOUSE ... .. 2		HENRY NORMAN ... .. 6	
ROBERT SCOTT ... .. 3		JAMES HUNT ... .. 7	
HENRY HOLLOWAY ... .. 4		ARCHIBALD ANDREWS ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by J. HUNT.

Ringers of 1, 3, 5, 6 and 8 hail from Milverton, 7th from Taunton, and 4th are local men.

### ROCK, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb.

WILLIAM SHORT ... .. Treble	JOHN WITHNERS ... .. 5
JOHN BASS ... .. 2	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 6
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
JOHN SMITH ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.  
First peal in the method on the bells.

### STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.		Tenor 14 cwt.	
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. Treble		ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... .. 5	
THOS. W. CHAPMAN ... .. 2		FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. 6	
HENRY BRIGGS ... .. 3		ALFRED MARTIN ... .. 7	
* HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 4		THOMAS TAYLOR ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

\* First peal. Elected a member prior to starting.

### BIRCHINGTON, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, July 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, AT THE WATERLOO TOWER, QUEEN PARK.

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5066 CHANGES;

† GEORGE WILLSHIRE ... .. Treble	* ALBERT E. JARMAN ... .. 5
† RICHARD E. WILSON ... .. 2	* WILLIAM J. JARMAN ... .. 6
HENRY T. WILSON ... .. 3	GEORGE E. WILSON ... .. 7
WILLIAM DUDLEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. JUDD ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. CLARKE. Conducted by H. T. WILSON.  
\* First peal. † First peal of Major.

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THE RINGING  
WORLD

BY  
TAKING  
A COPY  
EVERY  
WEEK.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

WOODFORD, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 17 cwt.

JOHN R. MAIN ... .. Treble	GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 4
JAMES M. NICKERSON ... .. 2	ANDERSON Y. TYLER ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. GILBERT ... .. 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

Rung as a birthday peal to W. J. Gilbert and R. C. Loveday.

HARROLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

HUBERT ROBINSON ... .. Treble	MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 4
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 2	HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 5
HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 3	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY W. GAYTON.

First peal as conductor in seven methods.

WHITWELL AND HACKFORD, REEPHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's. Tenor 12½ cwt.

MAT. TIMBERS ... .. Treble	JAMES WASEY ... .. 4
ALBERT NEALE ... .. 2	WALTER FORD ... .. 5
WALTER E. MEDLER ... .. 3	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM B. DUNCAN.

LITTLE COMBERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 4 six-scores each of Plain Bob and Canterbury Pleasure,  
16 of St. Dunstan's and 18 of Grandsire.

*RALPH HARRISS ... .. Treble	*EDWARD MOORE ... .. 4
CHARLES HOLFORD ... .. 2	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... 5
HUBERT SALISBURY ... .. 3	*FREDERICK ROLLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. SALISBURY.

Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Capt. Lowndes, son of the Rector of Little Comberton, the band wishing him long life and happiness. \* First peal.

EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, June 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's in nine methods, as follows; 1, Ipswich and Cambridge; 2, Cunecastre and London; 3, York; 4, Wells; 5, Durham; 6, Surfleet; 7, Beverley. Tenor 13 cwt.

HARRY WAND ... .. Treble	JAMES OSBORN ... .. 4
*JOHN W. LAKE ... .. 2	ALBERT S. ALLEN ... .. 5
THOMAS L. BAINBRIDGE ... 3	ARTHUR I. HOLMES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. LAKE.

\* 70th peal. This is the first time that seven 720's have ever been rung in nine Surprise methods.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 27, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Bob, and two 720's of Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

GEORGE FULLER ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT ... 4
ANDREW MARSHALL ... .. 2	JAMES WAGHORN ... .. 5
*ARTHUR SMITH ... .. 3	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN. ... Tenor

Conducted by FRED J. LAMBERT, Senr.

\* First peal inside. Rung to commemorate the anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Peace, and as a birthday compliment to F. J. Lambert.

MARKET DEBBING, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, July 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GUTHLAG,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob, Double Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

ELSIE BRANDON ... .. Treble	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 4
KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 2	JOHN J. JUTSON ... .. 5
WILLIAM WALDRON ... .. 3	*HORACE M. DAY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HORACE M. DAY.

\* First peal of Minor, and first peal as conductor.

PAVENHAM, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 21 six-scores each of Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

CHARLES COCKINGS ... .. Treble	HERBERT ROBINSON ... .. 3
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 2	WILLIAM STOCK ... .. 4
HENRY STAPLETON ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by H. W. GAYTON.

This was the first peal on the bells.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

LONG BENNINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Sunday, June 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE VILLAGE BLACKSMITH'S SHOP,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

MISS K. A. JUTSON ... .. 1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5-6
F/Sgt. F. A. HOLDEN, R.A.F. 3-4	JOHN H. WOOD ... .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by FRED. A. HOLDEN.

Umpire- ARTHUR MACKEARS. Witness- Mrs. A. MACKEARS.

TEDDINGTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, June 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT 16, COLESHILL ROAD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Cup bells, Tenor C.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 1-2	WALTER AYRE ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: Mrs. HOOD, Mrs. DOBBIE and Mrs. POLLING.

LEEDS, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT 90, BLACKMAN LANE, LEEDS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES;**

JAMES R. KEMP ... .. 1-2	WILLIAM BARTON ... .. 5-6
PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. 3-4	JOHN AMBLER ... .. 7-8

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

Attested by GEORGE A. JOWETT.

First handbell peal of Treble Bob by all except the conductor.  
First handbell peal of Treble Bob Major as conductor.

**METHOD 'SPLICING.'***To the Editor.*

Sir,—Your remarks in the leading article of July 2nd make me think that it is high time that Seaford Alliance was put in print, so I am writing to ask you to make room for it. It is the composition of C. W. Woolley, and he first brought it to my notice before he turned twelve years old. To obtain a seven hundred it must be spliced with Little Bob. The rule is simple. The methods must be changed every time a single is called. All seven hundreds of Bob Minor go true. I may mention that Woolley has produced a vast number of those Alliance methods.

May I also call the attention of our six-bell friends to the 720's which do not come round? They afford possibilities of new combinations for peal ringing. In the annexed figures you ring 720 true change of Cambridge and start your next 720 from 34256. If you ring three such 720's to start your peal, the fourth 720 will start from rounds as usual.

Yours truly,

E. BANKES JAMES.

Dear Sir,—Now the splicing of methods seem rather fashionable, may I be allowed to point out that some years ago, I published a system whereby Bob Major and Albion Treble Bob can be switched together, not only in lead heads or ends, but in every section of the treble?

12345678	12345678
21436587	21435687
	21436578
24163857	21436587
	24163857

I remember being severely criticised at the time, and one gentleman went so far as to threaten bringing it before the C.C. for official condemnation.—Yours faithfully,

F. DENCO.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
THE INCREASED SUBSCRIPTIONS.**

The June meeting of the above was held at Lightcliffe, when about 40 members and friends attended, representing 15 towers. The bells, a peal of eight, with tenor 20 cwt., were rung during the afternoon and evening in short touches of Kent, Stedman and Double Norwich. Tea was partaken of in the Schools, and followed by the usual business meeting. Mr. P. J. Johnson was in the chair, supported by the Rev. H. L. Taylor (Vicar of Lightcliffe). Letters of apology for absence were read from the Rev. C. O. Marshall and Mr. G. Bolland.

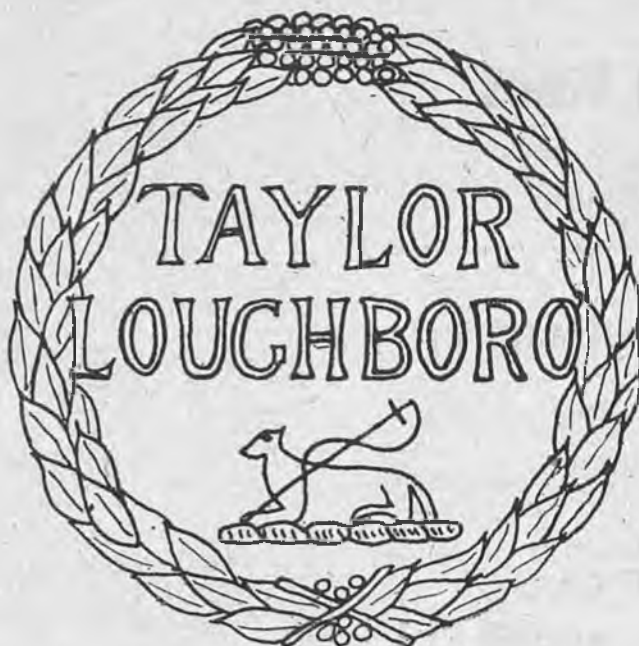
The place for the September meeting was brought forward; the Chairman said Mr. Bolland, on behalf of the Tong company, had expressed a desire that the September meeting should be a combined one of the whole of the Association, and invited the members to Tong on Saturday, Sept. 11th.—This was put to the meeting, and unanimously passed.

The Chairman then made a few remarks upon the increased subscriptions. He mentioned the fact that they come into operation at once, and those that had paid this year's contributions would now have to pay another 6d., while life members joining in 1886 and after must now pay the same as current members.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar and wardens for the use of the bells and schools, and the Vicar, in replying, said it was a great pleasure to meet the members at Lightcliffe, and was sorry the bells did not give the satisfaction they should, and hoped the members would have very pleasant memories of their visit to Lightcliffe. The vote of thanks to the local company and ladies who prepared the tea was responded to by Mr. J. Lawson.—The tower was again visited, and further ringing brought the meeting to a close.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**

A most successful and enjoyable monthly meeting of the Warwick Guild was held at Berkswell on June 19th, members and friends to the number of 36 being present from Allesley, Berkswell, Coventry, Embsay, Erdington, Knowle, Nuneaton, Solihull, Sutton Coldfield, and Warwick. Doubles and various Minor methods were rung, and a short service was held in the church, conducted by the Rector, the Rev. Canon Back (president of the Guild). The members were afterwards entertained to tea by Canon and Mrs. Back, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to them, on the motion of the Ringing Master (Mr. A. Roberts) for their kind hospitality, to which both Canon Back and Mrs. Back replied expressing the pleasure it gave them to welcome the members to Berkswell. The tower was again visited in the evening.



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## ENCOURAGING SIX-BELL RINGERS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—Owing to the great bereavement that has just befallen me in the death of my dear wife, I hardly feel in the humour or mood to enter into any controversy; but I cannot let Mr. Dexter's letter pass without comment, for there are many statements therein wholly unjustifiable. My previous letter simply stated facts in relation to the six-bell towers, as I find them in this district, and mentioned no individual or society's name.

Mr. Dexter must remember St. Martin's is not the only society in Leicester, and I should, therefore, like to know who authorised him to answer for all the city! He says that for every eight and 10-bell peal I rang with his society a first-class ringer stood out. This is a deliberate lie, and he knows it. When we began practising the higher methods, I was one of the original band, and—as such—asked to take part in their peals. This band was not entirely St. Martin's Society, as they could not find sufficient at that time to make up either for practice or peals. Every peal Mr. Dexter quotes was made up by the combined companies of St. Martin's, St. Margaret's, St. George's, and others outside the city.

As for the chances, Mr. Dexter gives to others outside his own society—since he mentions it—let him say how many companies have been allowed the use of St. Martin's bells since he got into the snaffle. How many conductors have called peals there? The answer to both questions is not one. Mr. Dexter should be a good judge of 'self glorification,' for his whole letter teems with it in order to belittle me, who did nothing but assist when asked. If there is any glorification I feel due to me, it is the knowledge that my record shows '39 first pealers,' and as near as I can ascertain '62 first in the method,' which I have personally conducted. These figures compare very favourably with his society's, which he frankly admits I figure prominently in.

Mr. Dexter says his society should be grateful for the 'help' I gave, but that they are not. I need none of their gratitude, it means nothing to me. I should, however, like to hear the views of the other members of that society on the subject—not the present company, augmented recently by ringers from elsewhere—but the original band who first practised together and referred to above. Mr. Dexter finally states that his letter was written to correct an impression that the eight and 10 bell societies of Leicester owe their successes to me. This is absolute piffle and senseless. Their reputation was made (as history shows) long before either he or I were thought of.

Knowing my present bereavement, almost any other ringers would have either communicated with me direct, or better still, have seen me personally, if they thought they had a grievance, instead of attacking me in this unmanly fashion. Such is the fellowship of association.

I still, however, maintain that the six-bell towers are sadly neglected around Leicester—the same as in other districts, from whom I have received several letters supporting my views, and it is up to the towers with higher numbers (backed up by the associations) to give them help and encouragement.—Yours sincerely,

24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

ERNEST MORRIS.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

### ASHFORD DISTRICT CELEBRATES PEACE ANNIVERSARY.

A very cordial invitation having been extended to the members of the Ashford District by the Vicar (the Rev. S. K. Lockyear) to visit Brabourne on July 3rd to commemorate the anniversary of the signing of peace, about 40 members accepted; and, needless to say, spent a most enjoyable time. Touches of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob Minor and Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were rung during the afternoon, and a special service was held in the church.—The Vicar officiated, and a very instructive address was given by the Rev. Carus-Wilson, curate of Aldington, on good fellowship and brotherhood. Mr. W. E. Pitman, Mus.Bac., presided at the organ, and a collection was made on behalf of the local tower restoration fund.

The Vicar entertained the visitors to a bountiful tea in the Vicarage grounds, and with Mrs. Lockyear and a band of willing helpers, including the local ringers' wives, waited upon the company.

The Vicar was heartily thanked for his kind invitation and generous hospitality, and in reply expressed a wish that this should be made an annual occurrence, at least as long as he was at Brabourne to keep in memory the signing of peace.

And who could find a more congenial spot than Brabourne? It looks like peace itself nestling among the hills!

## LOWESTOFT'S NEW BELLS.

The dedication of the new ring of eight bells, tenor 13½ cwt.s., which Messrs. Taylor and Co. are erecting in the tower of St. Margaret's Parish Church, Lowestoft, is fixed to take place on Tuesday next, the 20th July.



## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

### DO ENGLISHMEN TAKE THEIR PLEASURES SADLY?

It was very wet on Saturday, July 3rd, when the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham held its summer meeting at Perry Barr. Nevertheless more than fifty members braved the elements, and an exceedingly enjoyable meeting resulted.

Perry Barr (in Domesday 'Pireo') lies about three miles north of the City, on the River Tame, and is fortunate in having retained its agricultural character almost unspoiled. Hereabouts the Tame forms the City boundary, and the church itself and the old cottages comprising what is called 'Perry Village' are just outside the boundary.

The Church of St. John is a building in the Gothic style, and its low western tower contains a ring of eight, tenor 13 cwt., in F sharp, by Taylor, put in in 1868 to the memory of the 4th Lord Caliborce. It is quite a little country church, lighted to this day by oil lamps, so that it is difficult to imagine one is so close to 'the workshop of the world.' The Guild's Form of Service was held at 4.15, the Vicar (the Rev. Cecil H. Watts Read, M.A.), giving an excellent and most appropriate address, taking his text from Numbers x. During the reverend gentleman's discourse the 'country' effect was heightened by the music of a mowing machine operating in a hayfield a stone's-throw away.

Ten was held in the old village Schoolroom, and was very kindly provided by the local members, who have an enthusiastic leader, in the person of Mr. George Mitcheson. This gentleman was indefatigable in his efforts to make everyone comfortable, and with a willing band of helpers he easily succeeded.

Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., presided at the business meeting following, at which seven new members were elected, including four of the local band viz.: Messrs. Maurice Watts Read (son of the Vicar) Eric Weston, R. C. Ingram and F. W. Richworth. The Vicar was elected an hon. member. At the conclusion of the business, the Chairman proposed that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to the Rev. Watts Read for the use of his bells, for his inspiring address, and for his presence at the meeting; to the organist and members of the choir for their welcome assistance in the musical portions of the service; and to Mr. Geo. Mitcheson and his band for their kindness in providing an excellent tea and making the necessary arrangements.

In acknowledging the vote of thanks, the Vicar said he felt honoured by being elected a member of the Guild, and although he was not a ringer himself he had given two of his sons to the cause, one of whom was a member of the local band. He would be delighted to have them at Perry Barr, when their turn again came round.

The Secretary then said that the Guild had received a handsome gift from their good friend, Mr. Albert A. Hughes, of London, 'as a token of his appreciation of the Guild and its work, and of its ever cordial welcome to visitors.' The gift took the form of a peal of 12 handbells in B flat, and the tenor had been suitably inscribed since their receipt. Loud cheers greeted this announcement, and a vote of thanks was enthusiastically passed to the generous donor. More will be heard of them anon.

Afterwards the Guild was requested to 'open' a new peal of 12 handbells acquired by the local band, and this was done by the following members ringing a touch (three courses) of Stedman Cinques: A. Paddon Smith 1-2, A. Walker 3-4, J. E. Groves (conductor) 5-6, T. Rissam 7-8, J. F. Smallwood 9-10, Morris J. Morris 11-12. The bells are a beautiful lot, tenor size 17 in A, and reflect great credit on their makers, Messrs. Barwell, and on Mr. T. Miller in particular. The latter then called 305 of Grandsire Caters rung by P. O. Laffin 1-2, W. Kent 3-4, J. F. Smallwood 5-6, T. Miller 7-8, A. Norman 9-10.

This was followed by the star turn of the evening, when the little son of Mr. Laffin, Percy O., junr., rang 5-8 to a course of Bob Minor. This boy is only 7 years of age, quite an infant prodigy! We gather that this young gentleman is also taking an interest in tapping, and we would advise the dulcimer experts to look to their laurels, lest 'a little child shall lead them'!

Later on, in 'another place,' a room having been reserved, the handbells were again requisitioned, and touches of Stedman Cinques, Triples and Caters, and selections of tunes were performed.

At times the place was not as quiet as it might have been, with the result that the several conductors had on occasions to raise their voices somewhat. This brought up Mr. Tom Miller with one of his characteristic remarks, uttered in his own inimitable style, and in his own—his very own—descriptive vernacular. He was on one occasion ringing in a twelve-bell tower, and they had been ringing rounds for several minutes, when the conductor, who was next to him, 'discomposed' him entirely by bawling out, 'Gow, Stedman Cinques, Bawb. in such style, said Mr. Miller, that it was just like 'bosting a tea-penny ball'!

After this the company was not at all disposed to be serious, anecdotes of ringing and old ringers filling in the remainder of the evening.

And we were not very sad either: in fact, the answer to the question of the beginning of this article is a decided negative. A. P. S.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

### QUARTERLY MEETING AT LOUGHBOROUGH.

Ever since the Association made the town of bell-founding fame a district of its own, it has been the most popular of meeting-places. The first year of the war saw the M.C.A. in low water, and at the Loughborough meeting of 1914—the last previous gathering—many thought the golden days of ringers' reunions were over. But we were mistaken. Loughborough has risen again like a phoenix. When the rumour went round that Messrs. Taylor, with their accustomed generosity, were giving open house to all, it was not a case of 'Who's going to Loughboro?' but the reverse. Tell it not in Gath or Leicester, publish it not in the streets of Beccles—or Nottingham! There's no need, but nearly 50 per cent. of the members made a raid on Loughborough in the small hours of Saturday afternoon, July 3rd, and created a record—for a M.C.A. meeting. Like an army of invaders, they came from all parts, from Manchester on the north side to Cambridge on the south. Thunder and lightning did not stop them. Pooh! What mattered storm and tempest when a visit to the bell foundry, where Harry Withers, of Birmingham, 'thumped the box of dominos,' a ring on a glorious peal of ten bells, and (softly) a free meat tea awaited! True it 'put the wind up' the caterer, but he bravely stood his ground, and—although the Victoria Cross may have been awarded for lesser deeds—he had the satisfaction of seeing—and hearing—236 sets of teeth in thorough working order. The Rector of Loughborough was away from home, but the curate of St. John's (the Rev. C. Elliott) supported the president (Ald. R. B. Chambers), as did the churchwardens also the Rev. S. Rhys Williams, of Stamford. Messrs. E. Denison and Mr. Pryce Taylor while Mrs. R. B. Chambers crooned the festive hymn beside her estranged husband. The business meeting immediately followed. The chairman gave a resume of the quarter's work, and spoke of the great revival of ringing. Though not a practical ringer he was a practical worker, and his work lay in making happy members for the Association. In this connection it may be said that owing to the activity of the president the M.C.A. has reached what is up to the present a high-water mark with its finances.

Thirty-nine honorary and 33 ringing members were elected, on the proposition of Mr. J. Swinfield, seconded by Mr. A. Ballard.

A discussion arose regarding the ringing of long touches on meeting days, to the restriction of opportunities of others who wished to ring and were not thereby afforded a chance to do so.—Mr. W. E. White suggested that someone should be put in charge of the belfry to see that all had their opportunity.—This was seconded and carried. In passant, it may be easier said than done. Where a change ringer is steeple keeper, there is usually equality of opportunity, and it would be unwise and difficult to override his authority, but a practical change ringer ought to be at all times the Ringing Master. Probably the airing of the grievance will solve it.

Mr. Joseph Griffin, many years secretary to the Association in its early days, moved a hearty vote of thanks to Messrs. Taylor for their generosity in providing the tea.—Mr. Wm. Willson, hon. treasurer, seconded, saying some in the room would look backwards to when 'Old Mr. John Taylor' was at the head, then to young Mr. John—afterwards president, and now to Mr. Denison Taylor. Faces passed away with years, but their hospitality did not pass away (applause). As it was in the beginning of the M.C.A., is now, and as long as the centre of attraction—the bell foundry—remained, Loughborough would hold the foremost place in their thoughts.—This motion was carried with acclamation, after Mrs. Chambers had added a charming tribute to Messrs. Taylor, instancing a certain episode in which she was interested.—Mr. Denison Taylor feelingly responded.

The Chairman moved a vote of thanks to the clergy for the use of the bells, and for their presence, seconded by Mr. H. E. Norman.—In his reply, the Rev. Rhys Williams (Stamford) said he sometimes thought that the ringers were hardly consistent in calling others to church. In a racy and humorous speech, he said he had noticed with one eye sometimes, the ringers sink out of church instead of practising what they preached, i.e., calling folk to worship. He said he knew ringers couldn't always be in church, but the force of example was badly needed to-day; therefore, play the game, stand by the church, as well as the church bells, and he as Rector would always welcome them.—Mr. W. E. White said he thought there was good reason why some ringers did not stop to church. They had 'to cool down,' and when they got down to church they found all the best seats filled.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman and to Mrs. Chambers was moved by Mr. W. Willson, seconded by Mr. H. E. Norman, and carried unanimously, after which the bells of the Parish Church (10), the Foundry tower (8) and Stamford (8) were again called into action until a late hour. Some patronised the busy market-place, some 'a place within the meaning of the Act,' where they rang the long peal over again between the intervals of the liquid nourishment, but all agreed that 'Loughborough will take some beating.' And so say all of us.

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### SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. THE ROWLAND CARTWRIGHT MEMORIAL.

A very representative gathering of members and lady friends assembled at Lichfield on June 26th on the occasion of the annual meeting of the above society. The bells of the three towers were made full use of during the afternoon and evening. A good muster attended evensong in the Cathedral, after which tea was partaken of at Lloyd's Restaurant, 120 sitting down. Then followed the general meeting. Mr. J. Bradney was unanimously voted to the chair, and expeditiously discharged the duties entrusted to him.

The report and balance sheet were read and passed and ordered to be printed. The accounts showed a very fair balance on the right side, partly due to the fact that no report was printed last year. The officers were re-elected en bloc, with the exception of the appointment of Mr. A. E. Law as auditor, in the place of Mr. B. Gough, retired. The Central Council representatives were also re-elected.

The question of raising the annual subscription from 1s. to 1s. 6d. met with little or no opposition, and was accordingly agreed to.

A suggestion was made that members on ringing a peal should pay 6d. per head as a booking fee. Some discussion took place, and when put to the vote the motion was lost.

The following places were chosen for the coming meeting: Tamworth (September), Willenhall (January), Sedgley (April), and the annual (June) at Lichfield.

It was thought advisable that the war memorial—in the form of printed cards suitable for framing with a list of members who gave their lives, together with the names of their comrades who were fortunate enough to return—should not be dealt with at the present time on account of the high cost of printing.

A statement was made regarding the Rowland Cartwright Memorial Fund. The following is a list of subscribers to date: Wombourne Band, £3 6d.; St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, £2; St. Luke's, Wolverhampton, £1 10s. 6d.; St. Giles' Willenhall, £1 4s.; St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, £1 1s.; Mr. Wm. Cheshire, £1 1s.; Mr. W. Barnsley, £1; Mr. Harry Mason, 10s. 6d.; Mr. J. S. Pritchett, 10s.; Mr. W. R. Small, 10s.; Mr. and Mrs. B. Gough, 10s.; Mr. J. H. Shepherd, 10s.; Penkridge Band, 10s.; Penn Band, 10s.; Mr. B. Fullwood, 7s. 6d.; Wood Green Band, 7s. 6d.; Mr. W. H. Godden, 5s.; Mr. E. Weatherby, 5s.; Mr. T. J. Elton, 5s.; Bushbury Band, 3s.; Mr. John Perry, 2s. 6d.; Mr. W. Bennett, 2s. 6d.; Mr. W. H. Fussell, 2s. 6d.; Mr. J. E. Groves, 2s. 6d.; Mr. A. Walker, 2s. 6d.; Mr. J. George, 2s. 6d.; Mr. W. A. Cooper, 2s. 6d.; Cannock Ringers, 2s. 6d.; Mr. F. W. Perrons, 2s.; Mr. W. Bayliss, 2s.; Messrs. Charles Carr, Ltd., £1 1s.; Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, £1; Messrs. Barwell's, Ltd., 10s. 6d.; Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, 10s. 6d.; Messrs. Taylor and Co., 10s.; total, £20 19s. 8d.

### WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. QUARTERLY MEETING AT HAGLEY.

Under perfect weather conditions the meeting of the Worcestershire Association was held at Hagley, over 70 members being present. Hagley Church stands in the historic grounds of Hagley Hall, the residence of Lord Cobham, and adjoining the church are the cricket grounds, on which many a great match has been played with the famous Lytleston family, and on this occasion cricket was again in progress while the bells were ringing. Young members of the association had their fill of Grandshire Triples and Stedman Triples, Kent and Double Norwich Major followed. The Rector (the Rev. L. Westmacott) conducted service, and Mr. Mason, of Old Hill kindly presided at the organ. The Rector welcomed the association to Hagley, and said how much he appreciated the work of the ringers.

At the business meeting which followed a very welcome tea, the Rector took the chair. Charlesley Corbett was selected for the next quarterly meeting, and 19 new members were elected, including the Crayley company.—The quarterly peal is to be attempted at Hagley, conducted by Mr. W. H. Webb (the Branch Master).

As usual, a hearty vote of thanks was given to the Rector for his address at the service and presiding at the meeting, and also to the ladies for making the gathering such a success by providing an excellent repast.

The Secretary intimated that at the next quarterly meeting of the branch the election of branch officers would take place. He notified them that, owing to business reasons, he would ask them to appoint another man to take his place.

A further visit to the tower was made, and many touches, including a well-struck touch of Bristol Surprise, were rung.

### MEMORIAL TO THE LATE REV. H. A. COCKEY.

A dedication service will be held at St. Anne's Church, Oldland Common, near Bristol, on Saturday, August 14th, 1920. Service, which will commence at 4 p.m., will be taken by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. Tea in School Hall, at 5 p.m., 1s. per head. Tickets for tea can be obtained from any of the Branch Secretaries of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, or direct from Edgar Guise, 39, Tankards Close, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol. Will all those who knew the Rev. H. A. Cockey make a special effort to attend?

## NOTICES.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Reading on Saturday, July 17th. The bells at St. Giles' will be available from 2 p.m.; St. Lawrence from 4.15 to 4.45. Service at St. Giles' at 5, followed by tea at 5.45. Business meeting afterwards. All ringers invited. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Secretary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Church Stretton to-morrow, Saturday, July 17th. Train leaves Shrewsbury at 2.20. Ringing 3 o'clock; meeting 4.45; tea at Stretton Cafe 5.30.—Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec., St. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Gt. Wymondley on Saturday, July 17th. Service in Church at 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. The bells of St. Ippolyts also available.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. Sec., West Hill, Hitchin.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—An opening meeting at North Mymms will be held on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Any ringer coming by bus can get off at South Mymms and walk through the woods. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms, Hatfield, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 17th, at St. Margaret's Lee, S.E. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at Kingswood Hall, followed by business meeting.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Heathfield on Saturday, July 17th. Tower open from 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 at the Star Inn. Half railway fares (maximum 2/-).—George W. Stokes, Div. Hon. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Committee meeting 4. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock can be arranged at 2s. 3d. per head. Business meeting after tea. Chilvers Coton bells will be available during the evening.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Secretary, 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at East Peckham on Saturday, July 17th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea (by kind invitation of the Vicar) at the Vicarage at 5.45, followed by business meeting.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Dorking on July 17th. Ringing at St. Martin's, Dorking, 3 p.m. to 9, and Ranmore Common 2.30 to 4.30. Service at Dorking at 5. Tea and meeting to follow.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. District Secretary.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wellingborough District.—The annual district meeting and election of officers will be held at Wollaston on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock.—W. Perkins, 6, Addington Road, Irthlingborough.



**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Maldon on Saturday, July 17th. All Saints' and Mary's towers open afternoon and evening. Service at All Saints' 5 o'clock. Tea 5.30 at Saltmarsh's Tea Rooms, followed by business meeting.—P. Timson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting and a six-bell contest will be held at Sandal on Saturday, July 17th. The draw will take place at 3 p.m. prompt.—Willie Frith, Sec., 5, Sufton Street, Birkby, Huddersfield.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ledbury, Saturday, July 17th. Bells available (8) at 3.30. Tea provided (5.30) to all notifying me not later than July 13th. Business meeting afterwards.—Richard Thomas, Codrington, Ledbury, Hon. Secretary.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton Branch.—A special meeting will be held at Harlestone on July 17th. Bells ready at 3. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.—Sidney J. Lawrence, District Secretary, 7, Castilian Terrace, Northampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Newchurch, Warrington, on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Secretary.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Olveston on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea will be arranged (5 o'clock). A conveyance leaves Old Market Street at 2 p.m., St. James, Barton, 2.15 p.m., via Stokes Croft, Horfield and Fitton for Olveston. Leave Olveston for Thornbury 6.30. Ringing at Thornbury 7 to 8 p.m. Return from Thornbury about 8.30. Fare 4s. 9d.—P. C. Williams, 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 17th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Hon. Secretary.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on July 20th, St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 22nd, and \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 27th; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held at Reading on Saturday, July 24th (D.V.). Service at St. Lawrence's at 11.15 a.m. Business meeting in Abbey Hall immediately after service. Dinner in Small Town Hall at 1.30. Tickets 2s. 6d. each to members, 3s. non-members. Applications for tickets, with remittance, must be made to General Secretary. The arrangements for ringing will be notified later. The Secretary has a few copies of report for 1919 with Roll of Honour at 6d. per copy.—R. T. Hibbert, General Secretary, Warren House Lodge, Caversham.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery.—A quarterly meeting will be held at High Littleton (6 bells) on Saturday, July 24th. Timsbury bells (6) will be available. Service 4 p.m.; tea 4.45.—I. B. Holmyard, Hon. Sec., School House, Midsomer Norton.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Eastern Division.—A by-meeting will be held at Great Horkesley on Saturday, July 24th. Bells at Wormingford (6, recently opened), and Little Horkesley (5) also available, early in afternoon. Tea, followed by meeting, at 5 o'clock. Those intending to be present kindly let me know by July 20th.—H. T. Pye, Hon. District Sec., 49, Wickham Road, Colchester.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—A meeting will be held at Rothwell on Saturday, July 24th. Bells available from 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 in the White Swan.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Wiveliscombe on Saturday, July 24th. Visitors welcome. Bells from 2 p.m. Service 4.45, tea to follow. Will those requiring tea let me know by Tuesday, July 20th?—P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Barrow Gurney on Saturday, July 24th. Bells available 6 o'clock.—Percy Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Eastwood on Saturday, July 24th. Ringing from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. All wishing tea please notify Mr. J. P. Pollard, 14, Bishop Street, Eastwood, by July 22nd.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly meeting at Blyth, near Rotherham, Saturday, July 24th. Bells available from 2 to 8.30. Tea provided at reasonable charge at Commercial Hotel at 5.15. Ringers from kindred Associations welcome.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

**EASTON NESTON CHURCH, TOWCESTER.**—The unveiling of the tablet in memory of the late James Clarke will take place in the above Church on Saturday, July 24th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Service at 4 o'clock, during which the unveiling will take place; tea and meeting to follow, when it is hoped the Towcester Association will be re-started.—F. Wilford, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Wisbech.—Meeting will be held at Littleport (Cambs) on Saturday, July 31st. Service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. All who wish for tea please notify me by the 24th. All ringers welcome.—R. Lathbury, District Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual summer outing of the Guildford District will be held at Ranmore, near Dorking, on August Bank Holiday. The beautiful bells of St. Barnabas will be available. By kind permission of Lord Ashcombe visitors will be conducted over the gardens of Denbies. Tea will be provided at 1s. 3d. each, at the Post Office at 4 p.m. No service. No business. No speeches.—J. J. Jones, Hon. Secretary.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Yateley on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. Ringing will commence at Yorktown at 10, Hawley 11, Sandhurst 12.30, Finchampstead 1.30 and Yateley 3 o'clock. Service at 5, tea and meeting afterwards. Will all those intending to be present for tea kindly notify me not later than Thursday, July 29th? All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley.

**PONTEFRAC, YORKS.**—The ringing of the new peal of bells will take place on Bank Holiday, August



2nd. Bells available from 10 a.m. Tea provided. Will all who intend coming please notify A. Walker, 7, Southfield Avenue, to whom in future all communications should be sent.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**— Ipswich Branch.—A general meeting will be held at Woodbridge on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. By kind permission of the authorities, the bells at Woodbridge (8), Ufford (8), Hasketon (6) and Pettistree (6) will be open for the use of members throughout the day. Business meeting at St. Mary's House, Woodbridge, at 3 p.m.; committee meeting 2.30.—E. Evans, Hon. Branch Sec., 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION**, for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—A general meeting will be held at Aylsham on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. The ring of 10 bells at Aylsham, and the ring of eight bells at Marsham will be available for the use of members. Dinner will be served at the Dog Hotel at 1.30, tickets 3/6 each, followed by the general business meeting. It is earnestly requested that all members intending to be present at the dinner will notify the same to the Secretary by Wednesday, July 28th.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**— Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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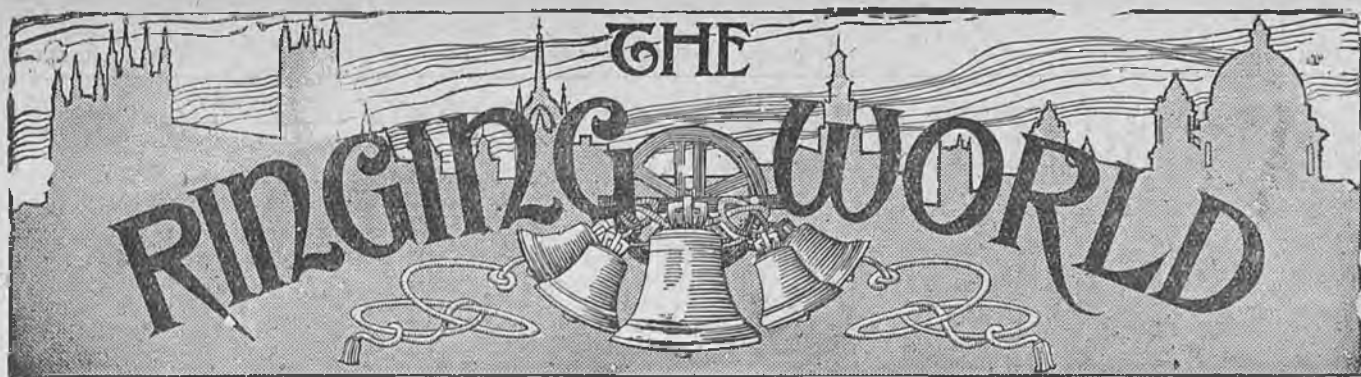
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What, to the majority of ringers, will seem a strange attitude, has been adopted by the Dean of Wells towards the scheme to place in Wells Cathedral the memorial to the fallen members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association. A simple tablet recording the names of the 54 members who made the supreme sacrifice was proposed, but, apparently, the Dean desired something much more elaborate and ambitious, and refused his consent unless the scheme included the filling of a vacant niche in the Cathedral with a statue. A memorial of this kind was beyond the reach of the ringers, and, the Dean refusing to give way, the upshot has been that arrangements have been made for the tablet to be placed in Bath Abbey.

Happily, the various war memorial schemes which ringing associations in other parts of the country have promoted have been received in a much more sympathetic spirit than that shown by the Dean of Wells, and we think the Association was fully justified in the dignified resolution of protest which was passed at the annual meeting the other day. The ringers, who are a diocesan organisation connected with the work of the Church, and in no way to be treated in such a matter as an outside body like the Freemasons, whose memorial the Dean proposes to accept because they are prepared to erect a statue in accordance with his desire, are entitled to look upon the Cathedral as their mother church, and they have strong claims over any unsectarian body to preferential treatment in a matter of this kind. It may be a laudable desire on the part of the Dean to further beautify the interior of the grand old building now under his care, but it scarcely shows appreciation of the sacrifice which these fallen ringers made—ringers who lived simple lives and died the simple death of heroes—to refuse the simple memorial which their fellows desire to erect.

Moreover, the making of prohibitive conditions shows a poor recognition of the work which, Sunday by Sunday, year in, year out, the ringers of the Bath and Wells Diocese are doing in the interests of the Church, of which the Dean is a pillar. His treatment of the Association in this matter, it was complained, was very much like his method of dealing with them in the past, when the members have been desirous of holding meetings in the Cathedral city. The fact that the Association have decided not to meet at Wells in the near future, as had been their intention, will probably not greatly disturb the Dean, but it may impress upon him that the protest is something more than mere words—that it is backed by the unanimous feeling of the members. The Dean's attitude is in striking contrast to what has happened in many other places, and, as far as we are aware, is, happily, an isolated instance of its kind.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

IPSWICH SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 32 cwt.

JAMES NOTTS ... .. Treble	EDWARD P. JENKINS ... .. 7
ARTHUR S. BOAR ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. THYNG ... .. 8
WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... .. 3	*ERNEST F. POPPY ... .. 9
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM BURGESS ... .. 10
ROBERT H. BRUNDLE ... .. 5	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... .. 11
GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... .. 6	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by JAMES NOTTS.  
Arranged for W. J. Thyng of Chesterfield. \* 200th peal.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

*CHARLES G. DEARLOVE ... Treble	*WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 6
*EDWARD A. ETHERIDGE ... 2	*GEORGE TOMSETT ... .. 7
THOMAS W. RADFORD ... 3	EDWARD RADDON ... .. 8
*GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 9
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 5	*GEORGE R. GIBBS ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. ROGERS. Conducted by SEPTIMUS RADFORD.

\* First peal on ten bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, July 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. Treble	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 5
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 2	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 6
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 3	*HARRY KILBY ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method, also first peal in the method on the bells.

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, July 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY WITHIN-THE-WALL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

*GEOFFERY MILTON ... .. Treble	GEORGE JONES ... .. 5
EDWARD HARRISON ... .. 2	ROBERT ALLRED ... .. 6
FRANK FOX ... .. 3	GILBERT GERRARD ... .. 7
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 4	ARTHUR NEWELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal. Great credit is due to Geoffery Milton, who is only 13 years of age, for the way in which he handled his bell throughout the peal. The ringer of the 6th, for whom the peal was arranged, hails from Tydesley.

## E. F. POPPY'S 200 PEALS.

Stedman Cinques, 1; Caters, 2; Triples, 22; Kent Treble Bob Maximus, 6; Royal, 4; Major, 20; Bob Maximus, 1; Major, 12; Triples, 1; Grandsire Caters, 1; Triples, 4; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 35; Double Norwich Major, 39; Superlative Surprise, 41; Cambridge Surprise, 4; New Cambridge Surprise, 2; Bristol Surprise, 2; London Surprise, 2; on six bells, 1; total, 200. Rung in 49 towers.



**BELGRAVE, LEICESTER.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Three Hours,*  
*At the Church of St. Peter,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GEORGE CLEAL'S ONE-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

† ROWLAND BARROW ... .. Treble	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 5
ALFRED BALLARD ... .. 2	JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 6
CHARLES ALLSOP ... .. 3	FRED STANFORTH ... .. 7
ARTHUR J. BALLARD ... .. 4	* HORACE REEVE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal. † First away from tenor.

**TROWBRIDGE, WILTSHIRE.**  
**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,*  
*At the Church of St. James,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

SYDNEY FRANCIS ... .. Treble	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 5
SYDNEY PEPLER ... .. 2	WILLIAM BAXTER ... .. 6
CHARLES DOEL ... .. 3	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. 7
CHARLES ANDREWS ... .. 4	THOMAS GRIFFIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL J. HECTOR.

Quickest peal on the bells.

**EASTON NESTON, NORTHANTS.**  
**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*  
*At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

* WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. Treble	WILFRED J. SHARP ... .. 5
JAMES GEORGE ... .. 2	JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 6
SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE ... .. 3	GEORGE FLAVELL ... .. 7
GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 4	WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

\* 50th peal. This peal was especially arranged for Mr. James George of Birmingham, and was the first peal of Major on the bells.

**BASINGSTOKE, HANTS.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,*  
*At the Church of All Saints,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

* CHARLES BURRIDGE ... .. Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 5
† ROBERT C. FLEW ... .. 2	ALFRED BURGESS ... .. 6
FREDERICK WILSON ... .. 3	JOHN C. BALLARD ... .. 7
FREDERICK G. PAICE ... .. 4	* FREDERICK SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal. † First peal with an inside bell.

**CHICHESTER, SUSSEX.**  
**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,*  
*At the Cathedral Campanile,*

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5036 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt.

JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. Treble	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 5
ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 6
ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 3	JAMES R. MACKMAN ... .. 7
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

**GREAT YARMOUTH RINGER'S DEATH.**

On Tuesday, June 29th, there passed away, at the age of 78, after a short illness, one of the members of St. Nicholas' Society, Yarmouth, Mr. Robert Christian, who for 40 years was always a regular attendant both at practice and Sunday ringing. The funeral service was conducted by Ven. C. Lisle Carr (Vicar), assisted by the Rev. W. G. Moran. Muffled touches of Grandsire Caters were rung before and after the service as a last tribute of respect to one who was widely respected, and will always be remembered by those with whom he had come in contact as a genial and honest man, and a most enthusiastic ringer.

**ISLEWORTH.**  
**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,*  
*At the Church of All Saints,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 8056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... Treble	JOSEPH MILNER ... .. 5
JOHN HOWES ... .. 2	ARTHUR HARDING ... .. 6
* CHARLES J. TRICKER ... .. 3	† ALBERT BECKINSALE ... .. 7
EDWARD F. COLE ... .. 4	GEORGE SPENCER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

\* First peal of Plain Bob. † First peal of Major.

**OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

*On Monday, July 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,*  
*At the Parish Church,*

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

JAMES SHAW ... .. Treble	* FRANK SHAW ... .. 5
WILLIAM RILEY ... .. 2	* JONATHAN WHEWELL ... .. 6
JOE RAWCLIFFE ... .. 3	JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... .. 7
* JACK BARNES ... .. 4	ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by A. T. HOLDSWORTH.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal as conductor.

**DEPTFORD, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tuesday, July 13, 1920, in Three Hours,*

*At the Church of St. Nicholas,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

GEORGE W. HARRIS ... .. Treble	RICHARD A. RICHES ... .. 5
WILLIAM PICKETT ... .. 2	SGT. JAMES BENNETT, R.M. 6
WILLIAM H. DAYNES ... .. 3	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 7
REGINALD D. MARSHALL ... .. 4	* JAMES MENZIES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

\* First peal. This peal was arranged for Sergt. James Bennett, R.M.

**SELBY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

*On Thursday, July 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.

JOHN WITHERS ... .. Treble	ALLAN J. CARTWRIGHT ... .. 5
* WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT 2	WILLIAM IRIN ... .. 6
JOHN EATON ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... .. 4	JOHN NEAL ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. HUDSON.

Conducted by S. GROVE.

\* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the induction of the Rev. T. Brancker to the Vicariate of Selby Oak.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

**HORSELL, SURREY.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Single Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE MILES ... .. Treble	ALFRED J. CROUCHER ... .. 4
SAMUEL PETER ... .. 2	HUBERT J. CHAFFEY ... .. 5
ALBERT J. CROUCHER ... .. 3	ERNEST NEWELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. CHAFFEY.

First peal in seven methods on the bells.

## KESSINGLAND.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At the Parish Church of St. Edmund,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Grandsire and Plain Bob and three 720's of St. Simon's. Tenor 17½ cwt.

SYDNEY BUTCHER ... .. Treble	FRED WADE ... .. 3
FRANK KEMP ... .. 2	GEORGE LEE ... .. 4
BERTIE J. GARDNER ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by B. J. GARDNER.

First peal by all the ringers since joining the above Association.

## KIRDFOUR, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six-scores. Tenor 13 cwt.

MESHACK STENNING ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SOFF ... .. 4
STEPHEN KILNER ... .. 2	GEORGE W. KILNER ... .. 5
PERCY DUNTON ... .. 3	FREDERICK BROOKS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by STEPHEN KILNER.

First peal and first attempt by all except the treble ringer. All are local men and learnt their ringing in this tower.

## KIRBY MUXLOM, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5180 CHANGES;

Being 43 different Six-scores. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in A flat.

*FREDK. J. BOWLEY, JUN. ... Treble	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 3
†GEORGE W. H. BAKIN ... .. 2	CHARLES ALLSOP ... .. 4
FREDK. J. BOWLEY, SEN. ... Tenor	

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal. † First peal inside. Great credit is due to the treble ringer for the way he handled his bell throughout the peal. He was only 11 years old on Feb. 22nd, and is believed to be the youngest ringer in the county to ring 5,000 changes.

## ASPLEY GUISE, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Botolph,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London Scholar's Pleasure, College Exercise, London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

MARK LANE ... .. Treble	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 4
EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... .. 2	HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 5
HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 3	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

## GESTINGTHORPE.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's of Plain Bob each called differently. Tenor 16 cwt.

OLAVE E. BROYD ... .. Treble	*REGINALD RIPPINGALE ... 4
*REGINALD MARTIN ... .. 2	HARRY CANSSELL ... .. 5
ERNEST TURNER ... .. 3	GEORGE E. PANNELL ... Tenor

Conducted by O. E. BROYD.

\* First peal and first attempt.

## HARMONDSWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Single, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 18 cwt.

*H. BURDEN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 4
†PERCY JONES ... .. 2	HUBERT J. CHAFFEY ... .. 5
†WILLIAM G. PARKER ... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. CHAFFEY.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells. Rung,

by invitation of the Vicar, on the occasion of the unveiling in the church by the Bishop of Kensington of a memorial tablet to all who had served in H.M. Forces and fallen in the Great War. The ringers represent four counties, treble and tenor hailing from Old Windsor, Berks, 2nd and 4th from Slough, Bucks, 3rd from Staines, Middlesex, and 5th from Chertsey, Surrey.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## REEPHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Residence of Mr. F. J. BARBER,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

MAT. TIMBERS ... .. Treble	JAMES WASEY ... .. 4
ALBERT NEALE ... .. 2	WALTER FORD ... .. 5
FREDERICK BARBER ... .. 3	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM B. DUNCAN.

## LONDON.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Friday, July 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At 32, EDGELEY ROAD, CLAPHAM, S.W.,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, 5016 CHANGES;

WILLIAM T. COCKERELL ... 1-2	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 7-8
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 3-4	WILLIAM H. PASMORE ... .. 9-10
HARRY R. PASMORE ... .. 5-6	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. 11-12

Composed by JOHN REEVES. Conducted by HARRY R. PASMORE.  
Umpire: EDWIN HORREX.

The conductor has now called peals of Triples, Caters and Cinques in Grandsire and Stedman; and Major, Royal and Maximus in Plain Bob and Treble Bob on handbells, and believes he is the first to accomplish this.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, July 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Royal Grammar School,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor size 18 in G.	
MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 1-2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

## BIRMINGHAM.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, July 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
In the Cathedral Belfry,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 size in A.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 1-2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7-8
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 3-4	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... .. 9-10
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11-12

Composed and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

Referee: ALBERT T. SCRIVENS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Florence Russam, of Edinburgh, grand-daughter of the ringer of 1-2.

## ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

A ringing meeting of the Marshland Branch took place at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Stow, on Saturday, July 17th, and was attended by ringers from Gaywood, King's Lynn, Terrington St. John, Setch Oil Fields, Watlington, Downham, Denver, Shoultham, Stow, etc. The bells, a pretty musical rung of eight, were utilised during the afternoon and evening, the visitors including Messrs. J. Sykes (who received a hearty welcome), W. J. Eldred, E. Barker, the hon. secretary, and others. After tea, at the Hare Arms Inn, the Rector (the Rev. A. J. W. Croese) presided over the business meeting, at which new hon. members and ringing members were elected and Denver fixed as the place of the next meeting. Before ascending the church tower, from the summit of which could be plainly seen Peterborough, Crowland Abbey, Lincoln and Ely Cathedrals, an inspection was made of the interior of this well-kept church, which is in the Decorated style. On the north side is a mortuary chapel built by Nicholas Hare, who came possessed of Stow Hall in 1553. This chapel contains several monuments to the Hare family from 1623.

The meeting concluded with a few more touches on the bells.

**NEARLY 300 YEARS OF HISTORY.****SAFFRON WALDEN RINGING DAY.**

A district meeting of the North Western Division, Essex Association, was held at Saffron Walden on Saturday, June 26th, combined with the 29th anniversary of Saffron Walden Society's 'Great Ringing Day.' Ringing commenced at 9 o'clock, with two courses of Cambridge Surprise Major, and finished in the evening with four beautifully struck courses of Stedman Cinques by the local company, and during the day various touches on tower and handbells were rung. Visitors came from Bishop's Stortford, Barley, Cambridge, Ickleton, London, Royston, Rickling, Sawston, Stansted, etc. At noon a short service was held, conducted by the senior curate (the Rev. G. Montagu Benton), who gave an interesting address on the history of Saffron Walden Society, stating that undoubtedly there was ringing in 1623. The first publication of any record of scientific ringing was in a local paper, that 'on Christmas Day, 1753, John Holt's one-part peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 3 hrs. 20 mins., conducted by Charles Baron,' and stating, 'this is the first time this peal has been rung without the use of manuscript.' Two peals of Bob Major were rung in 1812, and Double Norwich and 1,600 Superlative Surprise Major in 1845. Without a doubt these were unique performances for that period. Mr. Benton also spoke of the great power in the music of bells in reminding us of the life hereafter.

At 4 o'clock adjournment was made to the Abbey Temperance Hotel, where a substantial meat tea was provided by Host Scottney, to which 32 sat down, and this was followed by the usual business.

The Master, Mr. F. Pittsow, in welcoming the visitors, thanked them for coming and making the day so enjoyable.—Votes of thanks were accorded to Mr. Benton for his address; the Vicar (the Rev. L. Hughes) for the use of the bells; Mrs. Leverett for presiding at the organ; and last, but not least, the choir-boys who had given up their play hour to be present.

We are asked to state that the Rev. G. Montagu Benton, of Saffron Walden, is anxious to write the annals of the Walden ringers, and would be very grateful if ringers could supply him with information relating to the earlier performances of this company.

**MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. HENRY WHITE.**

The subscription list to this fund will definitely close on July 31st. Any further subscriptions will be gratefully received by Mr. Councilor Wyeth, New Street, Basingstoke.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
WESTERN DIVISION.**

A quarterly meeting was held on Saturday, June 26th, at Warnham. The following towers were represented, namely, Pullborough, Billingshurst, Slinfold, Heene, and the local band. Amongst the visitors were: Mr. and Mrs. Hazelden of Guildford; Miss Fisher, of Dorking; Messrs. Dean and Marner, Leatherhead. Some very good touches in the Standard Methods were rung, the ladies taking part. At 5 o'clock it sat down to a substantial tea at the Sussex Oak Inn.

At the business meeting which followed, Mr. P. Doick was voted to the chair. After the minutes were read and confirmed, it was proposed to hold the next quarterly meeting at Pulborough at the end of September. The usual vote of thanks were tendered to Mr. Doick for presiding, Mr. Woodman for making the necessary arrangements; also the Vicar (the Rev. R. Bowcott, M.A.), for granting the use of the bells. The tower was again visited, and after another hour's ringing the bells were lowered in peal, as several members had 20 miles to cycle home. The members very much regret to learn of a serious accident to Mr. H. Tulett, one of the Heene band, who, whilst working on a building, fell and broke his thigh, and is now lying in the Worthing Hospital.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

A Grimsby district meeting of the above Guild was held at Thornton Curtis on Saturday, July 5th (by the kind invitation of the new Vicar, the Rev. Dr. Cocking), in the place of a meeting at Louth abandoned owing to the great calamity. Various touches of Minor were rung on the bells, and a short service for ringers was held in the church, the Guild form being used. The ringers were then invited to tea by the Vicar's wife and ladies of the village.

A meeting followed, presided over by the vice-president (the Rev. H. T. Parry, Rector of Bigby), and attended by 39 members from surrounding towers.—In replying to a vote of thanks for the use of the bells, the Vicar gave an interesting address about the church and bells, the former having been connected with Thornton College Abbey for about seven hundred years. He was afraid he would be the last Vicar of a long line extending from the 12th century.

A vote of sympathy was accorded to the District Ringing Master Mr. J. W. Seamer, on his recent accident, and Mr. Seamer, who was present, said he would do his best again for ringers as soon as it was possible.—A vote of thanks to the ladies for providing the tea and to the Chairman concluded a successful meeting.



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## ANOTHER DEVON PEAL AUGMENTED.

**NORTHAM BELLS DEDICATED BY KING'S CHAPLAIN.**

The rededication and reopening of the bells of Northam, where the work has been carried out most efficiently by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, took place recently. The old peal of six has been recast and two trebles added, the dedication being performed by the Very Rev. the Dean of Windsor (Dr. A. V. Baillie), Registrar of the Order of the Garter and Chaplain to the King. The living of Northam is in the gift of the Dean and Canons of Windsor.

The two new bells were given, one in memory of Miss Stella Temple by her mother, and the other by Mrs. Brayley-Brayley in memory of her husband, Mr. George Brayley-Brayley, of Wellesbourne, Northam. Miss Temple, who was a very well-known golfer and a fine sports-woman, did exceptionally good work with the Red Cross in France, and died last year from illness contracted on service. There is an inscription on each of the new bells, that on the treble being:

'To the glory and praise of God, and in Memory of Stella Temple, 1919.'

The original peal of six bells was cast by Thos. Bilbie of Cullompton, 1770, and the original inscriptions have been retained, with the addition of the fact of their being recast in 1920 during the vicariate of the Rev. G. Payne Cook. The old inscription on the tenor bell is:—

In tuneful peals your joys I'll tell,  
Your griefs I'll publish in a knell.

The recasting and rehanging has cost £1,100, practically the whole of which has been raised.

The reopening of the bells on Saturday week was taken part in by 50 ringers from Northam, Barnstaple Parish Church, Pilton, Bideford, Appledore, Abbotsham and Westleigh. The ringers were entertained to tea by the Vicar, who warmly thanked them for their attendance. Unfortunately, owing to the inclement weather, an outdoor fete and programme of sports which had been arranged had to be postponed. In the evening a very successful dance was held in the Schoolroom.

There was a large congregation on Sunday morning at the dedication service, which opened with the processional hymn, 'God of Glory, King of Nations.' After Psalm xl. and the Lesson (1 Chron. xxix. 9-14) read by the Rev. Evelyn Smith, and the Jubilate Deo, the Dean, clergy and churchwardens proceeded to the entrance of the belfry, where the Dean, at the request of the Vicar, impressively dedicated the bells in the words, 'I hereby solemnly set apart and rededicate these six bells, and dedicate these two bells newly presented, to the Glory of God, and the use of this Church.' The bells were rung as the Dean and Chapter returned to the chancel. After the prayers in connection with the ceremony and the hymn:

Lifted gently in the Tower.

Now our Bells are set on high,

had been sung by choir and congregation, the Choral Eucharist was conducted by the Vicar. An impressive and thoughtful sermon was preached by the Dean of Windsor, taking as his text Rom. xvi. 1: 'For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth.'

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Seeing that Northaw is a good walking distance from the nearest railway station, it was very gratifying to find that the mid-week meeting of the N. and E. district, arranged for Wednesday, July 7th, was well attended, and this in spite of the very unsatisfactory state of the weather. Including a party from Hadley and Barnet, a company of just over 20 met to enjoy a couple of hours' ringing on a nice peal of six, and incidentally to assist the local band in their efforts to ring new methods. Unfortunately, however, only two touches had been rung, when it was intimated to the Vicar (the Rev. F. R. Bonsey), who is himself a ringer, that there was a serious case of illness close by, and there was no alternative but to stop the ringing.

After courses of Steadman Triples and Doubles, and Treble Bob Minor, had been rung on the handbells, a short business meeting was held. One new member, belonging to the local band, was admitted to the Association, and a vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and the Northaw ringers for the welcome given to the visitors.

The Hon. Secretary suggested that another meeting be arranged on a later date in the year, to which the Rev. F. R. Bonsey, in acknowledging the vote of thanks, agreed. He thanked the members for visiting Northaw, saying how very sorry he was that ringing had been stopped and promising another hearty welcome when the next meeting was held.

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE REV. H. A. COCKEY.

A dedication service will be held at St. Anne's Church, Oldland Common, near Bristol, on Saturday, August 14th, 1920. Service, which will commence at 4 p.m., will be taken by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. Tea in School Hall, at 5 p.m., 1s. per head. Tickets for tea can be obtained from any of the Branch Secretaries of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, or direct from Edgar Guise, 39, Tankerville Close, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol. Will all those who knew the Rev. H. A. Cockey make a special effort to attend?



## NEW BELLS.

## THREE DEDICATIONS IN ONE DAY.

On Sunday week, dedications took place at no less than three churches of new bells cast at the Whitechapel Foundry and hung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. These included a new peal of eight (tenor 11 cwt.) at Heathfield, two new trebles to make a peal of ten at Christ Church, Southgate, where the back eight were rehung, and two trebles at North Myms, Herts.

In addition, on the preceding Thursday the reopening took place after rehanging, of the peal of six at Holy Trinity, Barking Road, E.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have also just rehung with new fittings and framework, the peal of six at St. Mabyn, Cornwall, while at Calverley, Yorks, they have recast the fifth and rehung the peal of eight, and the utmost satisfaction has been expressed at the admirable way in which the work has been carried out.

## THE NEW BELLS AT SOUTHGATE.

On Sunday, July 11th, the fifty-eighth anniversary of the dedication of Christ Church, Southgate, the Bishop of London during the morning service dedicated the two new bells which have been added to the peal of eight at this church. The new bells have been presented as a memorial to the late Mr. Arthur Rowland Barker and his wife, Ada Barker (Mr. Barker was a churchwarden for over thirty years), by their children, and were cast and hung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry. The treble (5 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.) is inscribed: 'Sursun Corda' (Lift up your hearts) and the 2nd (6 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.), 'Gratias agamus Domino Deo Nostro' (Let us give thanks unto our Lord God).

The Bishop having formally handed the ropes of the two bells to the Vicar of the Parish, the Rev. C. F. Peplow, M.A., L.Th., the augmented peal was rung in rounds for a few minutes by the local ringers, and at the conclusion of the service touches were rung. The bells were also rung for the afternoon service, and before and after the evening service. Several visitors from neighbouring towers and the country took part in the ringing during the afternoon and evening, the methods rung being Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Bob and Kent Treble, Boh Royal.

The ringers and parishioners were unanimous as to the splendid spire which the founders have effected, and it was felt that the fame Southgate already held in respect of its peal of eight bells would be enhanced by the increase to ten.

The Vicar and churchwardens have taken the opportunity to have the original eight bells rehung, and the 'go' of the bells is excellent. A new steel frame for two bells has been fixed above the existing wooden frame, in which the new treble and the old second bell have been hung, and this arrangement has enabled the founders to effect a splendid circle for the ten ropes. The cost of rehanging and restoration of the bells is being borne by the parishioners.

## NORTH MYMS BELLS.

The two new bells at St. Mary's Church, North Myms, Herts were dedicated on Sunday, July 11th, by the Archdeacon of St. Albans, who addressed a large congregation from 1 Corinthians x. 31, 'Whatever ye do, do all to the glory of God.' The bells were rung after service, and Messrs. Mears and Stainbank are to be congratulated on making a splendid spire, the bells being perfectly in tune.

On Saturday, July 17th, an opening meeting was held when ringers were present from Southgate, Brockley, Luton, St. Albans, Harpenden, Hertford, Edmonton, and the local tower. The methods rung were: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent and Oxford, Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative. Tea was kindly provided by the Vicar (the Rev. C. G. Ward), who is a ringer himself and is to be found in the belfry at every opportunity he gets. Everyone was pleased with the tone and 'go' of the bells.—Mr. B. Jarman (Harpenden) moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar for providing the visitors with tea and for the use of the bells and the Vicar, in reply, said that he hoped that was only one of the many times they would meet in the tower.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

A very enjoyable meeting of the Central District was held at Dorking and Rammore Common on Saturday last, when about 25 members and friends attended. Some of the party, who went to Rammore, were well repaid for the climb by a few touches on the lovely peal of eight at St. Barnabas'. Owing to a late start, those who went there were unfortunately too late for the service at Dorking, kindly arranged by the Vicar (the Rev. Canon E. A. Chichester), which was rather poorly attended.

The tea and business meeting was held at the Wheatsheaf Inn, where Mr. Dodd had made splendid arrangements. Mr. E. Weatherly, of Dorking, was elected a member of the Association, and Mitcham was chosen for the next quarterly meeting in October. A vote of thanks to the Rector of Rammore and the Vicar of Dorking for the use of the bells, and to Mr. Dodd for making all arrangements, was proposed by the Master (Mr. J. D. Drewett), and carried unanimously.

The bells at St. Martin's were made good use of in the evening, when several touches, from Grandsire to Double Norwich, were much enjoyed by the visitors.

## HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

## SUCCESS OF THE DISTRICT SCHEME.

The annual festival of the Hereford Diocesan Guild was held at Leominster, when the members assembled at the Priory Church and took part in a service arranged by the Vicar, Rev. R. Gillenders, M.C.

Archdeacon Maude, of Shrewsbury, gave an able address. He was sure they would agree with him when he said that those who were getting on in years had seen, and were seeing, great improvements in all connected with their belfries, and it was quite time. As Archdeacon for 21 years in North Shropshire, he had visited many belfries, and he had seen great changes in the lofts into which he used to creep in some mysterious way as a boy, and it was very difficult to get into some of them at all. Some belfries were reached by stone stairs, and others by crazy ladders planted on equally crazy floors. In the belfry they usually saw a huge pile of sticks, straws, feathers, and other rubbish, the indefatigable work of jackdaws, but, speaking generally, there had been a great cleaning up. Incumbents, as a rule, held the key of the belfry, but they did not see to-day what used to be a common-place. When asked for the key the incumbent used to say that he would lend it, but informed the visitor that he would find a great mess up there, adding that he had never been up there himself. He considered archdeacons had a duty to perform, and should go up and see that the structure and the bells were all right. Nothing used to give him greater pleasure than to find a well-cared-for belfry, used by good Englishmen who had a pride for their calling. It was just this change that he had spoken of that a guild of bellringers could bring about and have such an influence for good. After ringers had visited a model belfry they seemed to think that it was time to set their own house in order. Dealing with the historical interest attached to church bells, the Archdeacon said no one knew for certain when they were first introduced into our Christian churches, but large bells were comparatively recent in origin, the earliest being found in Normandy (1211). Bells had had an influence on the architecture of our churches more than anything else and they had been the means of preserving for us beautiful forms of lettering, and, above all, they had formed a grand English tradition. A ringer was often proud to say that his father and his grandfather before him had been a ringer in the church. In conclusion, he asked that the members of this diocesan guild might always live worthy of their vocation. As they were the means of summoning other people to worship, he appealed to them not to fail to be regular worshippers themselves. He asked them to realise that there was a dignity about their calling, and to try to so live that their lives had got the ring of true, honest, and clean Christian men in them.

A few minutes of silent prayer in remembrance of the members of the Guild who had fallen in the Great War followed the singing of the hymn, 'O God, our help in ages past,' and 'All people that on earth do dwell' was sung as the recessional hymn.

## APPOINTMENT OF A RINGING MASTER.

The business meeting was held in the Church Institute. In the absence of the Master, the Rev. G. W. Turner was voted to the chair. The President, Vice-Presidents and Master were all re-elected.

The Rev. J. S. Roper having announced that he was unable to continue to hold the office of hon. secretary, Mr. C. Edwards proposed the Rev. G. W. Turner, Vicar of Madley, as hon. secretary. Mr. Turner said before he could consent to act he wished to know the reception his proposition, that Mr. Edwards be Ringing Master, would receive.

Permission having been obtained from the meeting, Mr. Turner's proposition, seconded by Mr. W. Mead, was discussed. The appointment meant that Mr. Edwards would be able to go to any district that needed help, and would partially supply the place of a paid instructor, who went from tower to tower and was able to report to the secretary. The Ringing Master would not interfere in any way with the position of the Master.—The proposition was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

The Rev. G. W. Turner was then unanimously elected hon. secretary. The rules were altered to meet the new appointment, and district secretaries and ringing masters were made ex-officio members of the committee.

Mr. C. Thomas having written that he could not act as hon. secretary of the Ledbury district, Mr. R. Thomas was appointed hon. secretary, and Mr. C. Layton Ringing Master of the Ledbury district.

After the business meeting, 54 members sat down to lunch at the Central Restaurant. The following towers were visited by ringers: Kingsland, Eardisland, Kimbolton, Stoke Prior, Bodenham, and, of course, Leominster, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Grandsire Triples, Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major being rung. The following towers were represented: Bredenbury, Clun, Coalbrookdale, Codrington, Eardisland, Kimbolton, Kington, Ludlow, Madley, Mathon, Norton Canon, Quatt, Ross, Staunton-on-Arrow, Staunton-on-Wye, Upton Bishop, Weobley, Kingstone and Dilwyn.

The last twelve months have been of great importance in the history of the Guild. Exactly a year ago it was decided to divide the Guild into districts. The experiment has been a great success, and has put new life into the Guild. The quarterly meetings in each district have created an interest in bell ringing not only among the members, but among people generally.

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## BATH AND WELLS WAR MEMORIAL. PROTEST AGAINST THE DEAN'S CONDITIONS.

At the recent annual meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, held at Minehead, Somerset, the principal matter of discussion was the proposed war memorial to the 54 fallen members.—The Master (the Rev. C. C. Parker) presented a report, which stated: 'It was agreed by all of us that the most fitting place for the memorial would be Wells Cathedral. Ours is a diocesan association, and obviously the centre to which every such association should look is the mother church of the diocese. On approaching the Dean of Wells, however, we found certain difficulties in the way which we have not been able to overcome. The Dean makes it a condition that if a tablet were erected it must be accompanied by a handsome gift to the Cathedral, and proposed that we should place a statue in one of the niches behind the high altar. The cost of the statue alone would be not less than £100, and the committee decided that this amount, in addition to the cost of the tablet, was a sum greater than they were prepared to call upon the association to raise. The Dean insisted on this condition, and the committee had no alternative, therefore, except to relinquish the idea of placing the memorial in Wells Cathedral.' The report went on to state that in the circumstances the committee decided on Bath Abbey as the most appropriate place for the erection of a tablet and they had proceeded with this alternative, the Rector of Bath having kindly given his consent. A design had been prepared, the total cost of which would be about £85.

In the course of the discussion that followed on the choice of places for the venue of the next three quarterly meetings, the question of including Wells was brought up. In this connection the Chairman took the opportunity of saying that the association had not been treated very well at Wells. The principle on which the Dean acted in the matter of putting up a tablet was certainly not one which commended itself to most of them, because when he (the chairman) first wrote to him he demanded that the association should put up something handsome in the Cathedral. The Dean stated that the Freemasons, who wanted to put up a tablet, were giving a statue to the Cathedral. He (the chairman) explained that the position of the association was altogether different. It was a diocesan association that had done a great deal for the diocese, and he (the chairman) felt that the association should not be put on the same level as the Freemasons, who were not necessarily part of the diocese at all. The Dean took no notice of that, and he (the chairman) felt it very much because it seemed to him that Wells Cathedral ought to be the mother church of the diocese. He had received a circular from the Dean asking for subscriptions in which it was stated that it was the duty of everybody in the diocese to subscribe to the mother church. When, however, the Dean had made the mother church not a mother, he (the chairman) did not see how they could subscribe. It seemed to him that although the bell ringers had not so much money, they were the children of the diocese, and their mother ought to have welcomed them and been glad to recognise their position by allowing them to put up a memorial to those ringers who had laid down their lives for their country (applause). It made them feel that they were not recognised as they should be in the centre of the diocese by the Dean and the Chapter: it was nothing to do with the Bishop, because the whole matter was in the hands of the Dean. That being so, it was entirely out of place for the association to go and have a meeting at Wells immediately afterwards. Perhaps they would give them a little reproach by having their meeting at Bath when they dedicated the tablet (applause).

### A GREAT MISTAKE.

The Rev. J. H. Doorbar (Kewstoke) said he thought it was a matter that should not be shelved. He thought it would be well to send a strong protest to the Dean from that meeting. It was treating the association with less than human feeling. Members had died for their country, and in the circumstances the proper place for the tablet was in the mother church, and that one man should have the right to stand in the way was to his (the speaker's) mind going to the extreme in these days of democracy. Surely a body of men like the ringers should be strong enough to make the Dean feel that on this occasion he had made a great mistake (applause).

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. E. E. Burgess) observed that if all the ringers were to parade in front of the Dean it would make him feel small. He thought it was very dirty, to say the least of it.

The Rev. J. H. Doorbar said they did not want to put the Master in an invidious position, but this was an opportunity when they ought to let the Dean know that they were en bloc very much disgusted with the way he had treated the association. He (the speaker) had served with the men on various fronts during the war, and he felt deeply about the matter; Dean or no Dean, it did not make any difference to him.

The Chairman: I must say that the Dean said the names of the men would be recorded in the big book which is to go in the Cathedral, and included in that as Somerset men.

The Rev. J. H. Doorbar pointed out that that would be paid for by the Somerset Memorial Committee.

The Chairman: It does not seem a satisfactory answer.

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## NOTICES.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on July 27th at 7.30 p.m. Business meeting afterwards at headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—The annual festival will be held at Reading on Saturday, July 24th (D.V.). Service at St. Lawrence's at 11.15 a.m. Business meeting in Abbey Hall immediately after service. Dinner in Small Town Hall at 1.30. Tickets 2s. 6d. each to members, 3s. non-members. Applications for tickets, with remittance, must be made to General Secretary. The Secretary has a few copies of report for 1919 with Roll of Honour at 6d. per copy.—R. T. Hibbert, General Secretary, Warren House Lodge, Caversham.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery.—A quarterly meeting will be held at High Littleton (6 bells) on Saturday, July 24th. Timsbury bells (6) will be available. Service 4 p.m.; tea 4.45.—I. B. Holmyard, Hon. Sec., School House, Midsomer Norton.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—North-Eastern Division.—A by-meeting will be held at Great Horkesley on Saturday, July 24th. Bells at Wormingford (6, recently opened), and Little Horkesley (5) also available, early in afternoon. Tea, followed by meeting, at 5 o'clock.—H. T. Pye, Hon. District Sec., 49, Wickham Road, Colchester.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**.—A meeting will be held at Rothwell on Saturday, July 24th. Bells available from 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 in the White Swan.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Wiveliscombe on Saturday, July 24th. Visitors welcome. Bells from 2 p.m. Service 4.45, tea to follow.—P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Chew Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Barrow Gurney on Saturday, July 24th. Bells available 6 o'clock.—Percy Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION**.—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Eastwood on Saturday, July 24th. Ringing from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—Thos. H. Kirkby, Hon. Sec.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION**.—Quarterly meeting at Blyth, near Rotherham, Saturday, July 24th. Bells available from 2 to 8.30. Tea provided at reasonable charge at Commercial Hotel at 5.15. Ringers from kindred Associations welcome.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

**EASTON NESTON CHURCH, TOWCESTER**.—The unveiling of the tablet in memory of the late James Slarke will take place in the above Church on Saturday, July 24th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Service at 4 o'clock, during which the unveiling will take place; tea and meeting to follow, when it is hoped the Towcester Association will be re-started.—F. Wilford, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY ASSOCIATION**.—Archdeaconry of Wisbech.—Meeting will be held at Littleport (Cams) on Saturday, July 31st. Service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. All who wish for tea please notify me by the 24th. All ringers welcome.—R. Lathbury, District Sec.



**BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Cheddar on Saturday, July 31st. Service 5 o'clock, tea and meeting after. Bells (8) afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday July 31st, at Oldham. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30. Nominations for Branch President must be handed in at this meeting.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual summer outing of the Guildford District will be held at Ranmore, near Dorking, on August Bank Holiday. The beautiful bells of St. Barnabas will be available. By kind permission of Lord Ashcombe visitors will be conducted over the gardens of Denbies. Tea will be provided at 1s. 3d. each, at the Post Office at 4 p.m. No service. No business. No speeches.—J. J. Jones, Hon. Secretary.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Yateley on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. Ringing will commence at Yorktown at 10, Hawley 11, Sandhurst 12.30, Finchampstead 1.30 and Yateley 3 o'clock. Service at 5, tea and meeting afterwards. Will all those intending to be present for tea kindly notify me not later than Thursday, July 29th? All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley.

**PONTEFRAC, YORKS.**—The ringing of the new peal of bells will take place on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. Bells available from 10 a.m. Tea provided. Will all who intend coming please notify by July 28th A. Walker, 7, Southfield Avenue, to whom in future all communications should be sent.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Ipswich Branch.—A general meeting will be held at Woodbridge on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. By kind permission of the authorities, the bells at Woodbridge (8), Ufford (8), Hasketon (6) and Pettistree (6) will be open for the use of members throughout the day. Business meeting at St. Mary's House, Woodbridge, at 3 p.m.; committee meeting 2.30.—E. Evans, Hon. Branch Sec., 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION,** for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—A general meeting will be held at Ayisham on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. The ring of 10 bells at Aylsham, and the ring of eight bells at Marsham will be available for the use of members. Dinner will be served at the Dog Hotel at 1.30, tickets 3/6 each, followed by the general business meeting. It is earnestly requested that all members intending to be present at the dinner will notify the same to the Secretary by Wednesday, July 28th.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Southgate on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. The bells (10) will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. Short business meeting at 7 p.m. Tea may be obtained near the Church. All members and friends welcome.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Peterborough on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. St. John's bells (8), St. Mary's (6) and Woodston (6) available all day. Service at St. Mary's at 4 o'clock. Tea and meeting 4.30, on St. Mary's Vicarage lawn, at which the President (the Dean)

will make a statement with reference to the Cathedral bells. Will all those requiring tea, 1/6, please let me know early? All ringers welcome.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held on Bank Holiday, August 2nd, in the Hope Valley. Hathersage bells (6) available from 1 to 3 p.m., Hope (6) 3 to 4.30, Castleton (8) 3 to 5 and 6 to 9 p.m. A meat tea will be arranged at Castleton at 5 o'clock at a charge of 3/- per head for all those who send word to me not later than July 26th, as some little difficulty may be experienced. This should be noted by those intending to be present. Trains leave Sheffield, Midland, 12.26, 1.18 and 2.20, leave Hope 6.18 and 9.3.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Hythe on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. The bells will be available from 10 a.m. till 9 p.m.; Folkestone (8) and Saltwood (6) will also be available during the day. All ringers will be heartily welcomed, and would be well advised to take this opportunity of a day's ringing at the seaside.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Hambledon on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. Bells 2 p.m. Tea at 5, 10d. to members, 1/4 visitors, who notify me by July 27th. E. J. Harding, 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—An invitation meeting will be held at Henfield on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. Tower open 12 to 1 and 2 to 4.30. Evensong 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock in Parish Room. Will those desiring tea please notify Mr. G. Gander, Hon. Sec. Henfield Branch, London Road, Henfield, not later than Thursday, July 29th?

**BEDDINGTON, SURREY.**—The bells of St. Mary's will *not* be open on August Bank Holiday, owing to other local arrangements.—A. J. Trappitt, Steeplekeeper.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual Festival will be held at Oxtan, Birkenhead, on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. Service at 11 o'clock, preacher, the Right Rev. Bishop Mercer. Dinner at 1 o'clock, 4/- each. Intending visitors should send notice.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, New Mills.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chislehurst on Saturday, August 7th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., with address by Canon J. E. Dawson (Rector). Tea at 5.30, and business meeting to follow, in the Village Hall. Half fares up to 2/- allowed. All who require tea must let me know by Tuesday, August 3rd, latest.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Street, Chislehurst.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Flixton, on Saturday, August 7th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting at 7. Business: Nominations for President, General Secretary, Treasurer, and four representatives for the Central Council.—W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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**BATH AND WELLS WAR MEMORIAL.***(Continued from page 365.)*

In reply to a question, the Chairman said the Rector of Bath was quite aware of what had happened, and had written to Wells explaining that the tablet was to be put in the Abbey, not in any spirit of hostility to Wells, but because he (the Rector) was in support of having a memorial of that kind for the ringers.

Mr. J. Hunt (Taunton) said he would propose that a resolution be sent from that meeting to the Dean of Wells to the effect that the members of that association present that day had decided to erect a tablet in Bath Abbey to commemorate the lives of their brother ringers lost in the Great War, and that as a body of ringers regarding the Cathedral as their mother church they very much regretted they could not place the memorial at Wells.

Mr. W. Evans (Bridgwater) seconded the motion, and the hon. secretary was instructed to draft a resolution expressing the opinion of the meeting and forward it to the Dean of Wells. He was also directed to write a letter of thanks to the Rector of Bath for the courtesy shown by him in the matter.

The Hon. Secretary remarked that ever since he had known anything about the association they had always been treated in that way at Wells. They had never been able to do anything there in any comfort. When they got there they had probably been allowed to use the bells for about two hours. He wrote to the Dean one year and asked him if he would kindly say how he thought 100 ringers could all manage to get a ring in two hours, but the Dean did not reply. Once or twice they had been refused there altogether, and at other times the use of the bells was practically refused to them, as two hours was not enough. He thought himself that they had been treated very badly at the Cathedral.

During the discussion the design for the tablet which is to be erected in Bath Abbey was passed round for inspection. It is a handsome design, with the ringers' badge, of which a bell forms the centre, at the top, a floral border surrounding it. Underneath are to be the names, 54 in number, of the fallen ringers, incised in the stone. It was a condition laid down by the Rector of Bath, the Chairman mentioned, that the architect engaged to prepare the design should be the Bath Abbey architect, so that the tablet should be in keeping with its surroundings.

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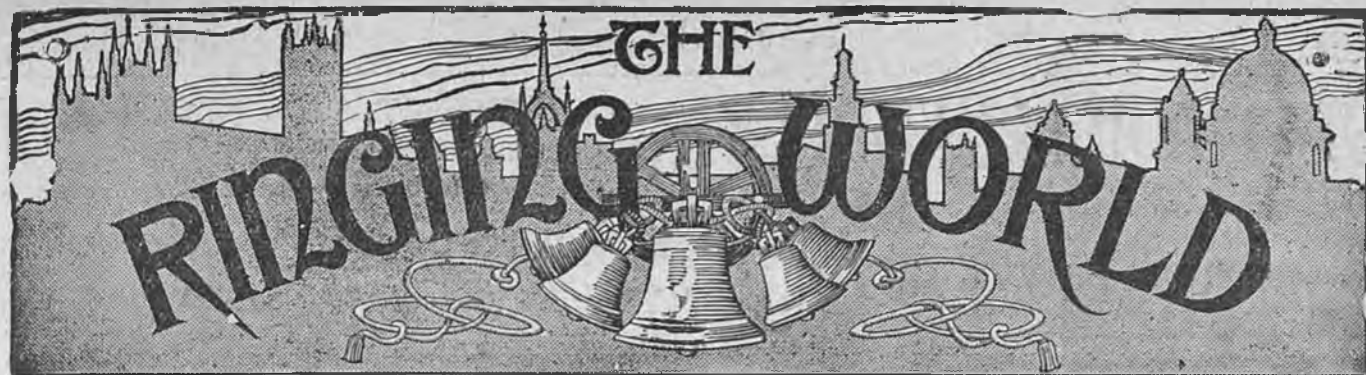
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## A BINDING LINK.

In a letter which is published in another column the Rev. H. Drake returns to the question of the powers of the Central Council, and, in view of the general attitude of the various affiliated associations in declining to give the Council compulsory authority—which they could not effectively enforce—makes another suggestion to the Exercise. Compulsory powers being out of the question, the Council must forego any desire which may exist to become an administrative authority, and content itself, as it has done in the past, with being a legislative body, and Mr. Drake's view is that Associations or individual towers should be induced to incorporate in their rules a resolution that they agree to abide, so far as the 'laws of the game' are concerned, with the regulations laid down by the Council.

Generally speaking, there can be no doubt that the spirit of this idea is very largely carried out now, and, this being the case, it could easily be argued that no further action is necessary; indeed, Mr. Drake himself adopts this line. But is not the suggestion worthy of further consideration? There is a genuine desire on the part of many people to see a more binding link between the Council and the Associations. The proposal of compulsory powers went too far, and would have been lacking in effectiveness, because control is, in the present state of affairs, impossible. There is nothing in the rules of any Association that we know of linking it with the Council, but the incorporation of a rule, both in the bellfries and the Associations, giving effect to Mr. Drake's suggestion would provide a tangible tie with the Central body, and become a public acknowledgment of the Council's authority to lay down the rules that should govern ringing. At any rate the subject is one which deserves more than passing notice, and we hope in due time it may be properly considered by the Council and passed on to the Associations.

At the same time the Council will have to take some steps to settle once and for all—if that is really possible—the differences that exist among its own experts upon some points in connection with the principles of ringing, differences, the existence of which shake the confidence of the Exercise in the competence of any body of legislators to lay down rules. There are some outstanding subjects which ought no longer to be in question, but which, with present methods, look like dragging on to eternity. Those who have the knowledge of these technical matters, and who have the courage of their convictions, could quickly bring the thing to a head by resolution. The Council would then have to express its opinion or confess its own incompetence to do so, and the Exercise would know where it stands.



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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD  
On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
At THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 33 cwt.

ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. Treble	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 7
WILLIAM FISHER... .. 2	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 8
FRANK W. PERRENS ... .. 3	ALBERT WALKER... .. 9
FREDERICK DICKENS ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. LAWLEY... .. 10
CHARLES DICKENS ... .. 5	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 11
HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 6	THOMAS SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by F. W. PERRENS.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

A. YORK BRAMBLE ... .. Treble	ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 6
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	GEORGE DURLING ... .. 7
ROBERT J. DAWEL... .. 3	RICHARD STREDWICK ... .. 8
ISAAC EMERY ... .. 4	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN... .. 9
CHARLES PALMER ... .. 5	KEITH HART... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

Messrs. Groombridge and Durling were elected members previous to starting.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.

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On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

CHARLES T. COLES ... .. Treble	JAMES C. ADAMS ... .. 6
GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. ... .. 2	ALFRED PYE ... .. 7
*HENRY RUMENS... .. 3	†WALTER STEED ... .. 8
†CHARLES A. HUGHES ... .. 4	BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON ... .. 9
JOHN H. WILKINS ... .. 5	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Conducted by C. T. COLES.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Royal. † First peal of Royal. ‡ First peal on ten bells.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WOOLWICH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

ERNEST B. CROWDER... .. Treble	HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. 5
FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON ... .. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... .. 7
JOHN WHEADON ... .. 4	HAROLD W. CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
At THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

LEONARD HARRIS ... .. Treble	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 5
OWEN H. GILES ... .. 2	JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... .. 6
*EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN... .. 3	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... .. 7
*FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... .. 4	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Major.



EPSOM, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
Tenor 11½ cwt.

MISS NORA E. SHORTER ... Treble	WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... 5
REGINALD BROUGH ... 2	AMOS W. CLARK ... 6
ALBERT HARMAN ... 3	GEORGE ILLMAN ... 7
HENRY F. EWINS ... 4	*OLIVER SIPPETTS ... Tenor

Composed by SAMUEL MARSH. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.  
\* 150th peal.

TICHTMARSH, NORTHANTS.  
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, July 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;  
Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb.

TOM TEBBOTT ... Treble	JOHN J. JOTSON ... 5
KATHLEEN A. JOTSON ... 2	GEORGE H. BARKER ... 6
*PHYLLIS HARE ... 3	GEORGE JEFFES ... 7
*ANNIE PARKINS ... 4	ROBERT RICHARDSON ... Tenor

Composed by A. T. KING. Conducted by ROBERT RICHARDSON.  
\* First peal of Major.

SAXLINGHAM, NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;  
Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... Treble	JOHN A. GODFREY ... 5
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 2	GEORGE MAYERS ... 6
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... 3	ALFRED WATSON ... 7
ERNEST LINCOLN ... 4	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed by FRED ROBINSON. Conducted by N. R. BAILEY.

This peal was rung with half-muffled clappers for George Aldous, a ringer of the parish, also in memory of Alfred Funnell, a ringer at the above church, who fell in action September 4th, 1916. N. R. Bailey's 150th tower bell peal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

CHARLES BURDOCK ... Treble	MAURICE SMITHER ... 5
JOHN T. SCOTT ... 2	WILLIAM W. THORNE ... 6
ERNEST WEATHERBY ... 3	ALFRED H. PULLING ... 7
GEORGE W. STEERE ... 4	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to C. Burdock, G. Steere and H. Hutton. It is 20 years since W. Thorne rang his last peal.

ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
Tenor 17 cwt. 9 lb.

*JOHN W. KIRTON ... Treble	RICHARD DRAGE ... 5
†WALTER TAYLOR ... 2	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... 6
SAMUEL WESLEY ... 3	JOHN FLOWER ... 7
JOSEPH BAILEY ... 4	HENRY HARRISON ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDWARD C. GOBEY.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal.

WALDRON, SUSSEX.—On Sunday, July 25th, on the occasion of the unveiling of the War Memorial for the men of the parish who fell in the war, a half-muffled quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1280 changes): A. Pierpoint 1, Miss M. Humblecroft 2, Miss U. Humblecroft 3, H. Rum 4, A. Holden 5, R. Eade 6, A. Reed (conductor) 7, W. Jenner 8.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
Tenor 17½ cwt.

ALFRED J. TURNER ... Treble	ERNEST GOWER ... 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... 2	ROBERT J. DAWE ... 6
ALFRED CRIPPS ... 3	ALBERT D. STONE ... 7
CHARLES PALMER ... 4	KEITH HART ... Tenor

Composed by the late C. H. HATTERSLEY.  
Conducted by KEITH HART.

BECKENHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.  
Tenor 14½ cwt.

THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. Treble	*FREDERICK TERRY ... 5
GEORGE DURLING ... 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 6
HAROLD W. CLARKE ... 3	WALTER SMITH ... 7
ISAAC EMERY ... 4	*FREDERICK SCUTCHER ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER SMITH.

\* First peal of Stedman, and first in the method as conductor.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
Tenor 17 cwt.

HARRY HALL ... Treble	EDWARD JENKINS ... 5
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 2	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... 6
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... 3	JOHN HALL ... 7
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 4	*ALBERT RICHES ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.  
\* First peal in the method.

SIX BELL PEALS.

WHETSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
Being 42 different six-scores. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*MAURICE J. PAWLEY ... Treble	FREDERICK J. BOWLEY, SEN. 4
CHARLES H. WEBB ... 2	ERNEST MORRIS ... 5
ALFRED BALLARD ... 3	*ARTHUR CATTELL ... Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal of Doubles on the bells. \* First peal, for whom the above was specially arranged.

MELBOURN, CAMBS.  
THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb.

STANLEY M. REED ... Treble	JOHN W. WARD ... 4
ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... 2	ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... 5
CHARLES S. GOULDTHORPE 3	FRANK HARPER ... Tenor

Conducted by A. E. AUSTIN.

First peal by the ringers of the treble, 3rd, 4th and tenor, who are members of the local company; first peal inside and first as conductor by the ringer of the 2nd, who is a member of the Stapleford company. The ringer of the 5th belongs to the Fen Ditton company.

**FOXTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, July 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 7 different 720's. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in F sharp.

ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. Treble	ARTHUR MANNING ... .. 4
WALTER WALLINGTON ... .. 2	*FREDERICK E. WALLINGTON 5
WILLIAM HECTOR ... .. 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal. First peal of Minor by all except the conductor, who with treble ringer cycled 26 miles to give the band the opportunity to ring this peal.

**PUTTENHAM, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Oxford Treble Bob and two 720's each of Kent, Oxford Single and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

WILLIAM G. FOWLER ... Treble	*MISS HILDA F. MILLS ... 4
*MISS BERTHA M. MILLS ... 2	ERNEST NEWELL ... .. 5
ALBERT J. CROUCHER ... 3	SERG. G. GILBERT ... Tenor

Conducted by SERGT. GEORGE GILBERT, R.E.

\* First peal. Rung as a farewell to Mr. W. Fowler, who is leaving Puttenham for Christchurch. E. Newell hails from Binsted, W. Fowler from Puttenham, and the rest belong to the Aldershot band.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

**BIRMINGHAM.**

**THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**

*On Thursday, July 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 1-2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 5-6
FRANK W. PERRENS ... .. 3-4	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 7-8
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 9-10	

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.  
Referee: ALBERT T. SCRIVENS.

**RINGING UNDER DIFFICULTIES.**

On Sunday last five members of the Salop Guild cycled to Hodnet, where there is a fine peal of six bells by Rudhall, 1769. The visitors were met by Mr. E. V. Rodenhurst, and succeeded in ringing a 720 of Bob Minor in 25 mins.: W. Wase 1, W. Weatherby 2, W. Lago 3, W. Saunders 4, E. V. Rodenhurst 5, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 6. This is the only 720 rung on the bells within memory, and is in all probability the first on the bells.

It was also a very difficult performance, as the bells go very heavily, having been rehung by a firm of builders about 20 years ago, and having received attentions from the village blacksmith from time to time since. The bells go round 123456 and are hung back-handed, while the 4th and tenor are wellnigh unringable. A six score each of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles was also rung.

The band were afterwards entertained to tea by Mr. E. V. Rodenhurst, and rang several touches of Triples and Major on handbells. The band then made tracks for Stoke-on-Tern, where there is a musical ring of six by Mears. Here they were met by Mr. W. Lycett, of Stanton-on-Hineheath, who had cycled seven miles in the heavy rain, and they rang a 360 Bob Minor and several six scores of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles.

**BISHOP AT RINGERS' FESTIVAL.**

The Bishop of Buckingham attended the annual festival of the High Wycombe ringers, and preached a powerful sermon at the service that was held. After tea, provided at the Church House, the Vicar of Wycombe welcomed the visitors, and the Rev. E. J. Teesdale (Vicar of Bledlow) proposed a vote of thanks to the Bishop, who suitably responded.—Mr. W. Lawrence proposed thanks to the ladies for providing tea. The ringing during the afternoon and evening included a course of Cambridge Surprise Major and touches of Stedman Cinques and Caters, Kent Treble Bob Royal, Bob Major Stedman and Grandsire Triples.

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.  
SUBSCRIPTION DOUBLED.**

The annual meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, held at Minehead, drew together a large gathering of ringers from Bristol, Weston-super-Mare, Bridgwater, Taunton, Ilminster, Dulverton, Minehead, etc.

The Master (the Rev. C. C. Parker), who presided, presented the annual report in which it was stated that there was a promising increase in membership, and that the association was recovering from the effects of the war. There were a considerable number of peals and some variety of method, though Grandsire Triples led the way with a large majority. Details given in the concluding part of the report showed that new members totalled 243, and the number of peals rung had been 33.

The Hon. Secretary presented the statement of accounts for the year ending June 1st this showing that there was a balance in hand of £74 7s. 11½d. The receipts amounted to £129 3s. 10d., and the expenses were £54 15s. 10½d.

In expressing satisfaction with the state of the finances, the Chairman hinted at the necessity which existed for increasing the subscription to meet growing expenses.

The report and accounts were passed with a vote of thanks to the auditor, Mr. D. G. Taylor.

The election of officers was then proceeded with: The Rev. C. C. Parker was re-elected Master of the Association; Mr. Burgess, hon. secretary and treasurer; and Mr. Taylor, auditor. To each one hearty thanks were expressed for the work he had done for the association.

The following were elected new members: F. Jennings, Wear; P. Arney, P. Arney, B. Harden, I. Harden, P. Rich, W. Tucker and R. Whitting, Brent Knoll; W. Mapstone, P. Gallop, C. Hall and W. Hall, Chew Magna; A. Bellamy, I. Farmer, and H. Parker, Carhampton; H. Howe, Cutcombe; W. Burge, Dulverton; E. Gould, E. Thorne, A. Welber, S. Grabham, and P. G. Merrett, Timberscombe; P. C. Arscott, H. J. Arscott, E. G. Arscott, H. L. Arscott, H. Arscott, Mrs. B. M. Arscott and V. Main, Selworthy; W. J. Baker, W. Baker, W. Biffen, W. Dascombe, F. Eprze, W. Greedy, J. Hartnell, W. Hartnell, and H. Rawle, Wiveliscombe; S. Baker and A. Court, Wootton Courtenay; honorary members Rev. W. T. H. Drew (Dulverton) and Rev. A. G. Locke (Carhampton).

An application from the Wiveliscombe branch of the Dunster Deanery that their tower should be transferred to the Taunton Deanery initiated a long discussion on the subject of the transfer of towers and the general working of the district between Minehead and Wiveliscombe. It was felt that some adjustments were needed for the sake of convenience, and ultimately it was resolved that a recommendation go to the general committee that they work out a scheme for the division of the diocese into ringing districts, each district to have its Ringing Master, Chairman and Secretary.

A decision of the committee that 3d. be paid for each peal entered in the peal book caused some discussion it being stated that this was decided on for the purpose of raising funds. The meeting, however, was of opinion that the raising of the subscription would meet this need better than the payment referred to, and it was resolved that the subscription to the association be raised from one shilling to two shillings.

The meeting concluded with expressions of thanks, heartily accorded, to the Rev. E. P. Liddon (Vicar of Minehead) for having kindly permitted the use of the tower that day and for arranging the service which was to be held afterwards, and to Mr. G. Atkins and the Minehead ringers, from whom the visitors had received a great deal of courtesy.—Mr. Atkins, in responding said it was a great pleasure to have visitors there, and they would always be pleased to see them at Minehead.

The discussion upon the War Memorial was reported in our last issue.

The party afterwards adjourned to the Queen's Cafe for tea, and here they were joined by other ringers from Old Cleve and Slogumber, whose train was so late in arriving that the meeting was practically over by the time they got to Minehead. Subsequently, most of the party made their way to the parish church for the special choral evensong which had been arranged. In an impressive and appropriate address, the Vicar (the Rev. E. P. Liddon) discoursed on the message of the bells.

During the day touches in a variety of methods were rung on the Parish Church bells.

**RINGER FOR SIXTY-TWO YEARS.**

At Paignton, on July 8th, members of the Mid-Devon Branch of the Devon Guild by the kind permission of the Vicar rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1260 changes) on the Parish Church bells in 50 minutes, with 6, 4, 8 covering: A. Reynolds 1, J. Collings 2, T. Collings 3, T. Mitchell 4, C. Austin 5, P. Allwood 6, H. J. Hole (conductor) 7, F. Parnell 8. This is the first quarter-peal rung on the bells, and first attempt by all the band except the conductor. It was rung as a compliment to Mr. C. Drew on his 77th birthday, he having been a ringer at Paignton Parish Church for 62 years.

**NEW PEAL AT LOWESTOFT.**

The new ring of bells at St. Margaret's, Lowestoft, dedicated last week by the Dean of Norwich, are a most interesting peal, as their inscriptions show. The 2nd is 'Dedicated to Lowestoft Fishermen,' the 3rd is 'The Drifters' Bell,' the fifth 'The Trawlers' Bell,' the sixth is dedicated to 'The Gallant Dead, 1914-1918,' and the 7th 'dedicated to the memory of Skipper Thomas Crisp, V.C., of the trawler "Nelson," who gave his life for his country, August 15th, 1917.'

A report of the proceedings will appear in our next issue, but it is interesting to note that Mr. Woodley, formerly secretary of the College Youths, has undertaken to teach a band of ringers.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

A meeting of the Guildford District of the Winchester Guild was held at Merrow and Clandon on Saturday, July 17th. The Guild service was held in Clandon Church, and was conducted by the Rector. Rev. Sir John Herschel, Bt., who is general secretary of the Association. An address was given by Canon Coleridge, Vicar of Crowthorne, who told his hearers, in his usual forcible manner, of some faults of which ringers are guilty, and urged them to try and overcome so that the strands they were weaving would help to make a glorious apparel for the church, who was the bride of the living Christ, their Lord and Saviour.

Tea took place in a hut on the Rectory lawn, under the supervision of Lady Herschel, who was unremitting in her attentions to the needs of the visitors.

Sir John Herschel, in apologising for the silence of his bells, spoke in feeling terms of the death (from sleeping sickness) and funeral of William Day, a much respected member of the Clandon band, and said he was sure his hearers would agree with him that the silence of the bells was the most fitting tribute of respect that they could offer. He was pleased to say that in addition to Merrow bells, Shalford would also be open during the evening.

The Rector of Merrow (the Rev. A. H. Fletcher) became an hon. member.

The annual outing to be held on Bank Holiday at Rammoor was referred to. A member remarked that the bells were worth going a long way to hear, and he once heard 'Alfred H.' remark to the steeplekeeper that if he saw the Germans coming he was to take the bells down and bury them, as they could never be replaced.—The

Ringling Master sent an apology for his absence, and deferred his report to the next meeting.

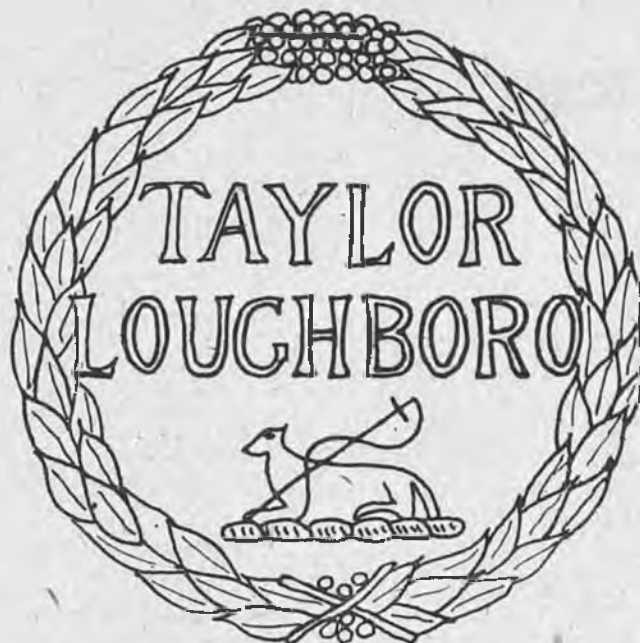
**A SALISBURY GUILD MEMORIAL.**

On the north wall of St. Peter's Church, Dorchester, immediately below the belfry, has been erected a tablet of Sicilian marble in memory of the nine members of the Dorchester and District Branch of the Salisbury Guild, who gave up their lives in the great war. The tablet is inscribed: 'This Tablet is erected to the glory of God and in faithful memory of E. Foote, Church of the Holy Rood, Buckland Newton; F. C. Northover, St. Mary's, Charnminster; W. A. Painter, St. Peter's, Dorchester; W. Drake and F. Samways, All Saints', Milton; W. J. New, St. Andrew's Leigh; H. Wilson, the Abbey Church, Milton; H. Brake, St. Lawrence's, Upwey; J. Anderson, All Saints', Wyke Regis; members of the above Guild, who gave their lives in the great war 1914-1918. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

The unveiling ceremony, which was performed by Major C. C. Hughes D'Aeth, Master of the Guild, was attended by a large number of visiting ringers. The service was of a most impressive description, and the dedication was performed by the Rural Dean (Canon Barclay), who gave an appropriate address. After the service, the Dead March in 'Saul' was played on the organ, and buglers sounded 'The Last Post,' followed by the 'Reveille.' Then the bells, which were muffled, played their part, the 'whole pull and stand' being rung 25 times, denoting the average age of the ringers whose names were inscribed on the tablet. The ringing of muffled touches took place both before and after the service.

**PONTEFRAC'T'S NEW BELLS.**

The dedication of the new peal of bells which have been placed in the Parish Church at Pontefract was performed on Midsummer Day by the Bishop of Beverley. The Mayor and Corporation attended in State, and there was a crowded congregation. After the service, a reception was held at the Mayor's rooms. The bells are a fine ring, with a tenor 18 cwt. 0 qr. 19 lbs., and all the old inscriptions have been reproduced with one slight alteration, including the names of the present donors. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Taylor and Co., and has given great satisfaction. The firm was represented at the ceremony by Mr. Denison Taylor, and there was a considerable number of visitors present, who made good use of the bells afterwards.



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## THE BATH AND WELLS WAR MEMORIAL.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—As one belonging to that dreadful little city of Wells, and as one of the Cathedral ringers, I should like, with your permission, to say a word or two about what took place at the Bath and Wells meeting at Minehead, which unfortunately I was unable to attend. I quite agree that the memorial for the fallen ringers of the diocese, should be placed in the Cathedral, but might I ask if the Dean of Wells was approached personally on the matter? My experience with the Cathedral authorities here is, that as they have never been mixed up with ringing and ringing matters, like some of our clergy they want a bit of education. I have had several interviews with the Dean on ringing matters, and after sufficient explanation have gained my point each time.

Now, Sir, I am strongly of opinion that had a small deputation, which might have included one of the local ringers waited on the Dean, and explained to him fully just what was wanted to be done, and the amount of money that was to be spent on it, he would have readily granted the necessary permission.

Just one thing more, is it right for an association like the Bath and Wells to boycott the city just because they could not get what they wanted. What has the Vicar of St. Cuthbert's Church done to be treated so? He has always taken a keen interest in the association, which my ringing friends at Castle Cary can bear out better than I can. Is that the best way to promote the interests of the association in Wells?

Some of us have been working for years to get ringing and the association on a better footing here, and we have quite recently seen some results of our labours; but I am afraid the unchristianlike and unjust remarks passed at Minehead will give us a severe check from which it will take us some time to recover. This is not the only place that ringing has been restricted at a meeting. Last year at Bath only one hour's ringing was allowed at the Abbey, but nothing was said about that, and meetings are still to be held there. Personally, I do not think all the blame can be attached to the Dean and Chapter of Wells Cathedral. Some may be on the other side.—

Yours truly,  
Wells.

W. FARLEY.

## CHATHAM'S 'VICTORIA' BELLS.

Ringers in the Rochester District of the Kent County Association met at St. Mary the Virgin's Church on Saturday, July 17th, the occasion being the reopening of the 'famous' 'Victoria' peal of bells—famous, as any ringer who has attempted to ring a peal on them will understand.

The frame supporting the bells has been thoroughly overhauled and strengthened considerably, and the whole of the bells have been hung in steel headstocks, and fitted with new bearings throughout.

The work of rehanging was entrusted to Mr. Alfred Howell, of Ipswich, and great credit is due to him for the manner in which he has carried out his task.

Touches of Grandfire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative Surprise, and Victory Major were rung, and the ringers—many of whom were present when the bells were first opened in 1897—were unanimous of the opinion that never have the bells run so well.

The local band wish to make it known that Sunday ringing is from 9.30 to 10.30 in the morning, and 5.45 to 6.30 in the evening. Practice on Monday evening from 7.30 to 9, and any ringer will be heartily welcomed at any time.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A pleasant afternoon was spent by the Southern District at Lee on Saturday week, when a large number of ringers from all parts of London were present, and were met by the Rev. F. B. Allen and the Rev. N. Robertson, and local ringers. The bells of St. Margaret's were utilised. Tea was provided by the kind invitation of the Rector (the Rev. R. Meddings). The business meeting was afterwards held, and the Rev. F. B. Allen gave the ringers a hearty welcome, which was acknowledged by Mr. T. H. Taffender.—A vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the tea and the use of the bells; also to Mr. S. G. Brasher for making the arrangements. Four courses of Stedman Caters on handbells were rung in the large hall, after which the tower bells were rung again.

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE REV. H. A. COCKEY.

A dedication service will be held at St. Anne's Church, Oldland Common, near Bristol, on Saturday, August 14th, 1920. Service, which will commence at 4 p.m., will be taken by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. Tea in School Hall, at 5 p.m., 1s. per head. Tickets for tea can be obtained from any of the Branch Secretaries of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, or direct from Edgar Guise, 39, Tankards Close, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol. Will all those who know the Rev. H. A. Cockey make a special effort to attend?



### THE PEACE BELL.

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild has taken the lead in introducing the 'Peace Bell' as a perpetual memorial to the fallen. In a circular, signed by the Bishop, Lord Shaftesbury (who is president), Major C. C. Hughes D'Aeth (Master) and the Rev. F. L. Edwards (hon. sec.), and issued to all incumbents in the diocese, it is stated: 'The mid-day Peace Bell is quite distinct in origin and significance from the Angelus. In the modern Roman use it has become merged with the morning and evening bells into a third Angelus, but originally it was rung on Fridays only, in honour of the Passion of our Lord, and the devotions associated with it took the form of Prayer for the peace and security of the realm. The special use of this Bell under Pope Calixtus III. (1456) and Alexander VI. (1500) as a call to prayer 'contra Turcos' affords an interesting parallel to our own nocturnal Bell during the War. Now that the War is over and we are in the act of settling terms of peace with the last of the belligerents, it is proposed, that as a perpetual memorial to the fallen, we restore in this Diocese the ancient use of the Peace Bell on Fridays at noon, thus uniting an act of solemn remembrance with Prayer for the peace and concord of this realm and of all Christendom through the merits of our Saviour's Cross and Passion. For this purpose the recitation of a short Office is suggested.

'Such a "Use of Service" as that suggested here will be the Church's own War Memorial in this Diocese and while the solemn sound of the bell on Fridays will bear its compelling witness to the cardinal truth of our Redemption, it is felt that no more fitting tribute could be paid to the memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice in the cause of right and freedom, than that of renewing the weekly call to prayer for the preservation of that peace which they died to win. Nor should the special opportunity be overlooked of intercession for the unity of Christendom.

'It is understood that more than half of the Incumbents of the Diocese have expressed themselves in favour of such a return to the pious custom of our forefathers. To all those an appeal is hereby made to arrange for the ringing of the Peace Bell from Friday 18th June, onwards, so that the great Cathedral Commemoration on St. John's Day may find the restoration of this ancient usage an accomplished fact. It is hoped that many others also will join in this movement, and that members of the Guild of Ringers everywhere will do their utmost to facilitate the revival of the Peace Bell to the Glory of Christ our Saviour, and in grateful remembrance of our fellow-countrymen, who gave their lives for England's peace.'

### DEATH OF MR. W. H. DAY.

#### WINCHESTER GUILD RINGER SUCCEUMS TO SLEEPING SICKNESS.

A summer day, a picturesque Surrey village, a sad procession, a voice reciting the hopeful words of the burial office, the lovely soft tones of handbells, and an open grave. It is with impressions such as these that one's mind is crowded when attempting to describe the funeral of Mr. W. H. Day, which took place at West Clandon on Thursday week (July 15th).

William Henry Day was one of a company of young men which included the late Mr. R. Blake and the brothers Savage all killed on active service, who some years ago began to practise at West Clandon, and who later became famous for their Surprise Minor performances. Mr. Day, together with almost the whole of his fellow ringers, joined H.M. forces at the outbreak of war in 1914. He was wounded at Albert in 1916, but otherwise seemed to have survived its dangers. He was demobilised soon after the Armistice in apparently sound health, to judge from his appearance there was good reason to suppose that he had many years of happy life before him. He, however, died of sleeping sickness on Sunday July 11th.

The funeral was fixed for the Thursday following, and shortly before the hour arranged representatives from parishes in the immediate district began to assemble, and, with the arrival of the family mourners, the church was well filled. The service was taken by the Rev. Sir J. Herschel, hon. secretary of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, who is also Rector of West Clandon. The coffin was borne to its resting-place by six old school friends, three of whom were ringers, and immediately after the Benediction a perfect course of Grandsire Triples was rung over the grave by: C. Hazelden 1—2 A. H. Pulling 3—4 M. Smither 5—6 W. R. Melville 7—8. On the muffled church bells three courses of Bob Minor and the 'whole pull and stand' were rung by: M. Smither, H. Blackman, C. Hazelden, A. H. Pulling, F. Bennett, W. R. Melville. Mr. J. Goacher rang in the touch, and acted as teller for the 'whole pull and stand.' A large number of beautiful wreaths were sent, including one from Lord and Lady Onslow, the Winchester Diocesan Guild, the Clandon ringers, and the Clandon Cricket Club, of which Mr. Day was an active and useful member. Ringers present, in addition to those mentioned, were Mr. J. J. Jones, Mr. Boniface (Merrow) and Mrs. Hazelden.

To the memory of the late Mr. F. Day, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung on Sunday morning, July 18th, for service with the bells

half-muffled: R. Nicholls 1, T. Streeter 2, G. Nicholls 3, W. Savage 4, J. Goacher 5, F. Bennett (conductor) 6.

### ARE THE COUNCIL'S RESOLUTIONS BINDING?

To the Editor.

Sir,—Evidently when you say, in your leader on June 26th, that 'it has now been definitely decided that the Council's resolutions are to be binding on nobody,' you are not serious, or you would not have continued the discussion of the matter you had taken up. But as this question is one that does not seem to be understood, it may be worth while to explain exactly how it has arisen.

At the Gloucester meeting of the Council, Canon Baker said he thought the time had come when the Council should cease to be merely the 'consultative body,' which its founders designed it to be, and should take the same place as the Jockey Club with regard to Racing, the M.C.C. with regard to Cricket, or the Football Association with regard to Football. He, therefore, proposed that they should ask the associations whether they would give the Council power to enforce its decisions. The argument seemed to several of us an anachronism: and the Secretary asked how it could exercise such power. For myself I pointed out that the only suitable subject matter for such power was in Points for Peals, and that it already had and used, such power.

Nevertheless, Canon Baker carried his resolution, and the associations have been duly mystified with it. At the Northampton meeting he explained, to the surprise of some at least of us, that 'what he intended by his resolution at Gloucester last year, was that the associations should be asked to say whether, in their opinion, there should be a body which should say what are the rules of ringing.' But if so, why did he not propose it in those words? Had he done so, I do not think anyone doubts that every member of every association would have answered 'Yes.'

It was Canon Baker's unsuitable examples which misled us. He mentioned the Jockey Club, which has to deal with sharpers and cheats, and disqualifies people, or warns them off the turf. No one wants to disqualify a band of ringers because they have rung a touch of Grandsire Minor, or to warn them out of the belfry because they happen to have suggested Plain Bob Triples. Again the M.C.C. is equally unique. No other pastime is so controlled. Moreover, all the years I was playing cricket, at least one of the more important rules—that fixing the number of balls in an over was deliberately disobeyed in the majority of matches. While the Football Association seems to an outsider most concerned in buying and selling players.

None of these cases have much analogy with ours. A better parallel would have been Lawn Tennis. We have this week started a Lawn Tennis Club here. By the way, the members are much the same as those of our ringing band: so on fine evenings we play tennis, and on wet ones we ring bells.

Now one of the rules which we have adopted as a matter of course, runs: 'Players shall be bound by the rules of the game, as played by the All-England Lawn Tennis Association.' Now, if we substitute the Central Council for the last few words of this rule, we can easily make a rule which would be very suitable for our different ringing bands.

This would put us all in a right relation to one another. The Central Council would be the legislative body, and the separate companies would be the administrative bodies. If Canon Baker wishes to test the opinion of the Exercise, let him propose that such a rule be added to the model code of rules for a company. For my own part, I do not think it necessary: not only, as the President said, because we do not have competitions but rather because it is so universally carried out that it does not need stating.

Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge.

HERBERT DRAKE.

July 21st, 1920.

### NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday afternoon, July 3rd, a meeting of the Halesworth District of the Norwich and Ipswich Association was held at Wissett Church (six bells). The towers of Chediston (six) and Halesworth (eight) were also open during the afternoon and evening for the practice of the art. Upwards of twenty ringers assembled, including Mr. A. L. Coleman, of North Walsham, secretary and treasurer to the Association, who made his first visit to this part of Suffolk. Good touches of Plain, Treble Bob and Grandsire were rung on the bells of the three towers by members from Beccles, North Walsham, Holt, Sibton, Henham, Wrentham, Chediston, Wissett, and Halesworth.—Mr. C. Cradlock, churchwarden, of Wissett, welcomed the ringers, and kindly provided them with a capital tea at the Old Swan Inn. A short meeting followed, the chair being taken by Mr. F. C. Lambert, district secretary.—Hearty votes of thanks were accorded to the donor of the tea; the Revs. J. F. Hughes, M.A., and H. C. Newbery, M.A., for the use of the bells of the three churches; and to the tower-keepers for having everything in readiness.—Further ringing was carried on till nine p.m., when a most enjoyable gathering was brought to a close.

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### WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. THE ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION.

The annual meeting of the Warwickshire Guild was held at Nuneaton on Saturday, July 17th. The bells of St. Nicholas' were made good use of during the afternoon, and a good muster attended service at 5 o'clock. The Guild form was used, and the Rev. Canon Back (president of the Guild) gave an appropriate address. Tea was afterwards partaken of at the Empire Cafe, members from Allesley, Berkswell, Birmingham, Coton Croft, Emscote, Rugby, Coventry, Stoke Golding, Stony Stanton, Nuneaton and Warwick being present. Then followed the general meeting, the Rev. Canon Back occupying the chair.

The report and balance sheet were read, and passed. The accounts showed a fair balance on the right side.—The Rev. Canon Back was re-elected president; Mr. A. Roberts, Master, and Mr. J. H. White honorary secretary and treasurer; Mr. O. J. Hunt, auditor. Each tower will elect its own representative upon the committee. The Central Council representatives, Mr. H. Argyle and Mr. A. Roberts were also re-elected.—It was decided to forego the printing of the annual report this year.—The question of raising the annual subscription was discussed, and it was decided to bring the matter up again at the next quarterly meeting, to be held at Stoke-in-Coventry in October, which will be a special general meeting.

It was decided to hold monthly meetings at Colehill in August, and at Dunchurch in September.

During the evening Chilvers Coton tower was visited, and touches in various methods from Grandsire Triples to Bristol Surprise Major were rung.

### SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. THE FINANCIAL POSITION.

A most successful quarterly meeting of the Eastern District was held at Heathfield on Saturday, July 17th, when members representing the following towers were present: Battle, Brighton (St. Peter's), Eastbourne (All Saints' and St. Saviour's) Hastings (Christchurch, Blacklands), Mayfield, Pevensey, Rotherfield, Salehurst Shoreham, and Waldron. The following unattached members were also present: Messrs. G. H. Howse, W. D. Smith, A. and E. Gower A. Piper of Eastbourne; and Mr. F. Bennett, of Brighton. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major, were rung during the afternoon and evening.

A service was held in the church at which the Vicar (the Rev. Grahame-Clarke) officiated and gave an eloquent address upon ringers and their calling as church workers. Following the service, the ringers took tea at the village hostelry. The success of the meeting was greatly enhanced in consequence of the arrival of a party of ringers, and their friends from Shoreham, who joined in at tea, at which the Vicar presided.

In view of the fact that the bells had recently been opened, that subject was not allowed to pass without notice.—Mr. G. H. Howse congratulated the Vicar upon the splendid toned peal of bells that had been provided by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the White-chapel Bell Foundry, the 'go' and 'fittings' leaving nothing to be desired, and being quite in keeping with the best traditions of the foundry. Mr. Howse also spoke of the pious thought of the donor of the bells, Mr. J. E. Groves, of The Park, Heathfield, and also the donor of the clock, Mr. A. C. Langdale, of Heathfield House. The bells and clock, combined give to Heathfield a long-felt want apart from the actualities which they are intended to commemorate.—The Vicar, in responding to this, and also a vote of thanks for the use of the bells, said it gave him the greatest pleasure to welcome the members of the association, and he would always be pleased to do so.

At the business meeting which followed, with Mr. Elman Brown in the chair, Mr. G. H. Howse made a touching reference to the passing of Mr. C. H. Harfley, of Eastbourne and moved that a vote of condolence be passed. Mr. Harfley had been an old and respected member of the association since its inception, and was for a great number of years a member of the Christ Church band Eastbourne.—The motion was seconded by the divisional hon. sec. and was carried while the whole company stood in silence for a few moments.

The Divisional Secretary brought the matter of the financial position of the association before the meeting, pointing out that the association was not in such a flourishing condition as could be desired, and as a result of a conversation, in which Messrs. G. H. Howse, Challen and Merritt took part, it was resolved that a voluntary levy be made upon those present, and the sum of two pounds was collected in the room. This amount would go towards helping to defray the expenses of the meeting.

Subsequently it was proposed by Mr. G. H. Howse and seconded by Mr. A. Piper, that an instruction be passed to the Standing Committee, that at the next annual meeting the matter of raising all subscriptions by 50 per cent. be considered.—This was put to the meeting in the form of a resolution and carried unanimously.

A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the meeting.

### NOTICES.

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BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Cheddar on Saturday, July 31st. Service 5 o'clock, tea and meeting after. Bells (8) afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday July 31st, at Oldham. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30. Nominations for Branch President must be handed in at this meeting.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual summer outing of the Guildford District will be held at Ranmore, near Dorking, on August Bank Holiday. The beautiful bells of St. Barnabas will be available. By kind permission of Lord Ashcombe visitors will be conducted over the gardens of Denbies. Tea will be provided at 1s. 3d. each, at the Post Office at 4 p.m. No service. No business. No speeches.—J. J. Jones, Hon. Secretary.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Yateley on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. Ringing will commence at Yorktown at 10, Hawley 11, Sandhurst 12.30, Finchampstead 1.30 and Yateley 3 o'clock. Service at 5, tea and meeting afterwards. All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley.

PONTEFRAC, YORKS.—The ringing of the new peal of bells will take place on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. Bells available from 10 a.m. Tea provided.—A. Walker, 7, Southfield Avenue.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—Ipswich Branch.—A general meeting will be held at Woodbridge on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. By kind permission of the authorities, the bells at Woodbridge (8), Ufford (8), Hasketon (6) and Pettistree (6) will be open for the use of members throughout the day. Business meeting at St. Mary's House, Woodbridge, at 3 p.m.; committee meeting 2.30.—E. Evans, Hon. Branch Sec., 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION, for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—A general meeting will be held at Aylsham on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. The ring of 10 bells at Aylsham, and the ring of eight bells at Marsham will be available for the use of members. Dinner will be served at the Dog Hotel at 1.30, tickets 3/6 each, followed by the general business meeting.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Southgate on Bank Holiday,



August 2nd. The bells (10) will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. Tea will be provided, by the kindness of Mrs. C. E. Barker, of Churchfields, Southgate. Short business meeting to follow. All members and friends welcome.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Peterborough on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. St. John's bells (8), St. Mary's (6) and Woodston (6) available all day. Service at St. Mary's at 4 o'clock. Tea and meeting 4.30, on St. Mary's Vicarage lawn, at which the President (the Dean) will make a statement with reference to the Cathedral bells. Will all those requiring tea, 1/6, please let me know early? All ringers welcome.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held on Bank Holiday, August 2nd, in the Hope Valley. Hathersage bells (6) available from 1 to 3 p.m., Hope (6) 3 to 4.30, Castleton (8) 3 to 5 and 6 to 9 p.m. A meat tea will be arranged at Castleton at 5 o'clock at a charge of 3/- per head. Trains leave Sheffield, Midland, 12.26, 1.18 and 2.20, leave Hope 6.18 and 9.3.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Hythe on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. The bells will be available from 10 a.m. till 9 p.m.; Folkestone (8) and Saltwood (6) will also be available during the day. All ringers will be heartily welcomed, and would be well advised to take this opportunity of a day's ringing at the seaside.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Hambledon on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. Bells 2 p.m. Tea at 5.—E. J. Harding, 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—An invitation meeting will be held at Henfield on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. Tower open 12 to 1 and 2 to 4.30. Evensong 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock in Parish Room.

**BEDDINGTON, SURREY.**—The bells of St. Mary's will *not* be open on August Bank Holiday, owing to other local arrangements.—A. J. Trappitt, Steeplekeeper.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual Festival will be held at Oxton, Birkenhead, on Bank Holiday, August 2nd. Service at 11 o'clock, preacher, the Right Rev. Bishop Mercer. Dinner at 1 o'clock, 4/- each. Intending visitors should send notice.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, New Mills.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August 5th and 19th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 10th; Southwark Cathedral on the 17th; and \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 24th, all at 7.30 p.m. \* Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A district meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Canterbury, on Saturday, August 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., conducted by the Rector. Tea and business meeting afterwards. Tea will be provided at 1/6 per head at Ye Old Beverlie. Will all those intend-

ing to be present kindly let me know by August 5th.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Allensmore on Saturday, August 7th. Bells (6) available from 3.30. Service 5.30. Tea, 6d. each to members, in Schoolroom 6.15. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than August 3rd.—C. Edwards, Hon. Sec., Gt. Brampton, Madly, Hereford.

**TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual Festival will be held at Lanhydrock, Bodmin, on Wednesday, August 11th. All ringers visiting the Duchy will be heartily welcomed.—John Symons, Ringing Master, Buriton House, Penzance.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chislehurst on Saturday, August 7th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., with address by Canon J. E. Dawson (Rector). Tea at 5.30, and business meeting to follow, in the Village Hall. Half fares up to 2/- allowed. All who require tea must let me know by Tuesday, August 3rd, latest.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Street, Chislehurst.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Flixton, on Saturday, August 7th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting at 7. Business: Nominations for President, General Secretary, Treasurer, and four representatives for the Central Council.—W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at the Parish Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, August 14th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, August 14th, at Mildenhall. Bells 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—R. Lathbury, Hon. District Sec., Newmarket.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Horwich on Saturday, August 14th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m. Nominations for President, General Secretary, and four representatives for Central Council.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Walton on Saturday, August 14th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6. Business: Nominations for President, General Secretary, Treasurer, four Central Council representatives, Branch Secretary and Committeeman.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—Combined practice will be held on Thursday, August 19th, at St. Mary's, Putney, from 7 to 9 p.m. All ringers invited.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

#### SUDBURY RE-OPENING.

The bells of St. Gregory's, Sudbury Suffolk, have been rebung, and are to be reopened at a thanksgiving service to-day. Ringing friends are cordially invited.



**AN EAST LONDON PEAL REHUNG.**

The bells of the Holy Trinity Church, Barking Road Canning Town, have been thoroughly overhauled, and were re-dedicated on Thursday, July 8th. After a short service in the tower, the bells were opened, after nine months' silence by ringers from St. John's, Leytonstone. A touch of 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor was rung by: W. Riches 1, G. Hayden 2, W. Theobald 3, J. Moule 4, W. Miller 5, R. Sanders 6, followed by 720 London Surprise Minor: J. Moule 1, W. Theobald 2, J. L. Joyce 3, A. Prior 4, W. Miller 5, R. Sanders 6. Both touches were conducted by W. Miller, and all agreed that Messrs. Mears and Stainbank had carried out the work of restoration satisfactorily. The ringers of Holy Trinity, who, by the way are all novices, are deeply indebted to Leytonstone ringers for assistance given and promised.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**

The annual meeting of the Wellingboro' District was held at Wollaston on Saturday week 48 members being present from Irthlingboro', Finedon, Doddington, Earls Barton, Easton Mauditt Wellingboro', Kettering, Isham, Burton Latimer, Raunds, Ringsted, Lowick and the local ringers. Amongst those present were Mr. F. Wilford, Mr. D. Nicholls (general secretary), and Mr. G. Brown churchwarden. A short service was held in the church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. D. McVarish). Tea was held in the churchroom, after which the business meeting was held, presided over by the vice-president.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mr. G. Randall, vice-president; Mr. W. Perkins, district secretary; Messrs. G. Basford and F. Barber for the Central Committee; and Messrs. F. Jones, M. Smart and O. Farey for the district committee.

Messrs. J. Parker, I. Groombridge and J. W. Seamer were elected out-county ringing members, and two ringing members were elected from Easton Mauditt and Higham Ferrers.

It was resolved to hold a special meeting at Castle Ashby, on September 11th, and the next quarterly meeting at Finedon.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the local company and the ladies who prepared tea, and this was responded to by Mr. G. Brown.—The tower was again visited, and further ringing brought a most successful meeting to a close.

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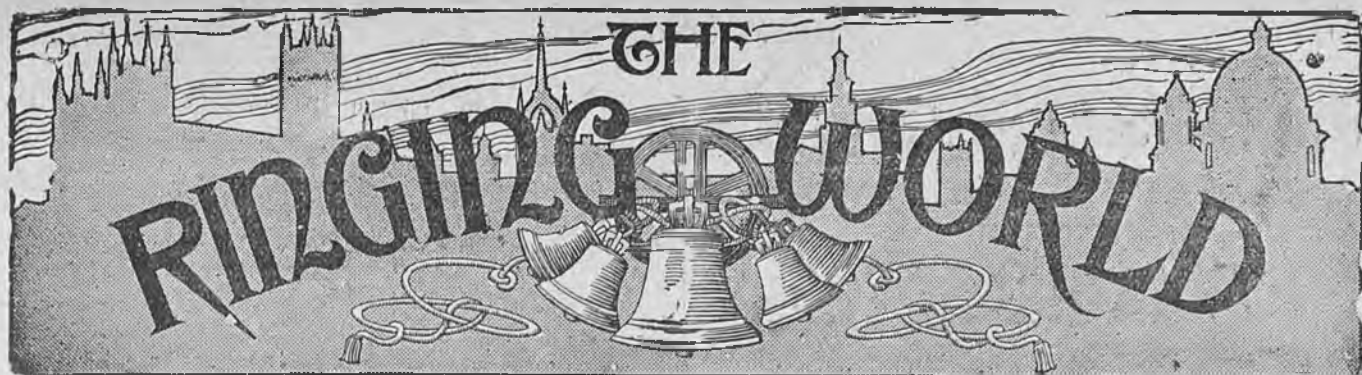
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## FINANCIAL STRESS.

The heavy decline in the purchasing power of money is being felt in the operations of the various ringing organisations, and nearly all of them have been forced by necessity to raise the amount of the annual subscriptions of their ordinary and non-resident members. The growing cost of everything has made this inevitable, and those societies which, like the Oxford Guild the other day, have only added fifty per cent. to the modest shilling which was previously the amount of the ordinary member's contribution, have dealt very modestly with the position. There is, naturally, a keen desire not to increase the affiliation fee more than is absolutely essential; but Associations, whose subscriptions are to be only eighteenpence in the future, will have to go very economically to work if they are to make ends meet each year.

In the past some Associations have not been very ready in the disposal of their funds for the benefit of their members, and if any of them have laid up a store thereby, they will probably to-day be congratulating themselves upon their successful financial policy. Now, however, it behoves all to keep a close hand upon the purse strings. At the same time there is one direction in which it might be well if societies gave some help. The increase in railway fares, which comes into operation to-day, may have some effect upon the attendance at ringing meetings. In the case of district gatherings large numbers of ringers reach the venue in these days by road, but it is not unlikely that the new impost may bear hardly upon those who wish to attend an Association's annual meeting or festival. There has been much fuss made about the additional burden which the new fares will place upon holiday makers, but the extra expense added to a week or fortnight's holiday would seem a bagatelle beside a similar additional expense added to the cost of a single day's outing.

Some few Associations, notably the Sussex County, give a grant towards the railway fares of members attending meetings, and it is possible that provincial Associations generally may find it in future good policy to expend money in this direction. It is a matter that needs to be very carefully approached, or a society might quickly head for bankruptcy. On the other hand, the new fares are almost certain to curtail attendances at meetings where considerable distances have to be travelled, and a falling off in this direction might lead to a diminution of interest and eventual loss of membership. Those who make the effort to attend meetings, particularly at a distance, deserve encouragement, and grants towards the increased fares might help to maintain attendances, and thereby promote the interests of ringing. The matter is important, and Associations ought not to lose sight of it.

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STEPNEY, E.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Saturday, July 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON, STEPNEY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 31 cwt.

MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... Treble	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 6
RICHARD HAYES ... .. 2	JAMES SCHOLES ... .. 7
FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... 3	CHARLES S. BURDEN ... 8
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 4	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. 9
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 5	THOMAS LANGDON ... Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.  
First peal in the method by Mr. R. Hayes, of Haslemere.

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THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERPS, 5111 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

HENRY JAMES TUCKER ... Treble	THOMAS JORDAN ... .. 6
FREDERICK BIRD ... .. 2	THOMAS J. WAITS ... .. 7
HARRY M. WHITE ... .. 3	WALTER WM. TUCKER ... 8
WILLIAM T. PRIOR ... .. 4	HENRY DEW ... .. 9
WALTER PRIOR ... .. 5	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by HENRY JAMES TUCKER.

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5940 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*LEONARD G. BOOTH ... Treble	TRAYTON BOOTH ... .. 5
FREDERICK MORGAN ... .. 2	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... 6
JOHN H. EDWARDS ... .. 3	EDWARD MILLS ... .. 7
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 4	*CHARLES G. CREASEY ... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

\* First peal on eight bells. Mr. Kilby, for whom this peal was arranged, hails from Willesden, the rest belong to the local band. The treble ringer is 14 years of age.

FEERING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

*HENRY J. LANGSTON ... Treble	JOHN SADLER ... .. 5
WALTER SADLER ... .. 2	*ROBERT E. U. FISHER ... 6
JOHN C. NEWMAN ... .. 3	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 7
JOHN D. BUCKINGHAM ... 4	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal at first attempt. John Sadler's rooth peal. Rung on the first anniversary of the peace celebrations.

SCUNTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5340 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

ALBERT J. GARBETT ... Treble	JOHN E. SMITH ... .. 5
THOMAS H. PARKIN ... .. 2	CYRIL POLLARD ... .. 6
THOMAS STRICKLAND ... 3	*RICHARD OLIVER ... .. 7
GEORGE O. DIXON ... .. 4	†SYDNEY ACSTIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD OLIVER.

\* First peal conducted. † First peal rung.



## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

EDWARD WIGG ... .. Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... .. 6
*GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 3	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 7
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 4	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method. E. Wigg belongs to London, and was elected a life member of the association before starting for the peal.

## LEICESTER.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
ON THE ROYAL MEMORIAL BELLS OF ST. JOHN-THE-DIVINE,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

JOHN A. SMITH ... .. Treble	THOMAS VALLENCE ... .. 5
FREDERICK KILBORN ... .. 2	T. HENRY HARDY ... .. 6
MISS HILDA WILLSON ... .. 3	JAMES HARRIS ... .. 7
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 4	WILLIAM WILLSON ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. H. Ed. Norman, local Secretary of the M.C.A., and a member of St. John's Society, and Miss Nellie Norman, the band wishing the bride and groom every happiness.

## ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER.)

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

*WILLIAM WEBB... .. Treble	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. B. MUNDY ... .. 2	HAROLD G. JENNEY ... .. 6
*HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 3	*R. HENRY BARTRAM... .. 7
LOUIS E. ALLEN ... .. 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRED. H. DEXTER.

\* First peal of Surprise. First Surprise peal on the bells. Great credit is due to the ringer of the 3rd for the excellent manner in which he rang the method. He is only 17 years of age, and on joining the above Society early in the present year his greatest achievement had been Grandsire Doubles.

## STOKE-IN-COVENTRY.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13½ cwt.

— HASTINGS ... .. Treble	EDWARD H. JOHNSON... .. 5
OSWALD J. HUNT ... .. 2	WILLIAM SIMPSON ... .. 6
ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... .. 3	FRANK PERVIN ... .. 7
HUBERT SUMMERS ... .. 4	WILLIAM CLEMENTS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK PERVIN.

Rung on the Festival of St. James, also as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 2nd and tenor.

## COGGESHALL, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER AD VINCOLA,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

PERCY J. LANGSTON ... .. Treble	JAMES FLEURY ... .. 5
FRANK CLAYDON ... .. 2	WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... .. 6
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM... .. 3	ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. 7
WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 4	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

The author's composition No. 170.

## HIGHWEEK, DEVON.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

ST. SIDWELL'S, EXETER, BRANCH.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

EDWIN SHEPHERD ... .. Treble	EDMUND SARGENT ... .. 5
CHARLES CARTER ... .. 2	FRANK MURPHY ... .. 6
THOMAS BARTLETT ... .. 3	JAMES MOSS ... .. 7
WILLIAM RICHARDSON ... .. 4	ALFRED MONKLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN SHEPHERD.

First peal on the bells.

## BECKINGTON, SOMERSET.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GREGORY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. Treble	THOMAS F. KING ... .. 5
*HORACE TAYLOR ... .. 2	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 6
*CHARLES DOEL ... .. 3	*CHARLES ANDREWS ... .. 7
PERCY W. CAVE ... .. 4	*WILLIAM BAXTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

\* First peal of Stedman.

## CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, July 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE PRIORY CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 30 cwt.

*HERBERT LAMBERT ... .. Treble	FRANK A. SPARSHOTT... .. 5
REGINALD O. STREET ... .. 2	ALBERT BRST ... .. 6
*LEONARD G. STONE ... .. 3	GEORGE PRESTON ... .. 7
*ROY VINCENT ... .. 4	HARRY PRESTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE PRESTON.

\* First peal and first attempt. This peal was arranged and rung to celebrate the wedding of First Class Petty Officer A. Gizard to Miss F. Stone, daughter of Mr. W. G. Stone, one of the local ringers, and sister of L. G. Stone. All the band were taught their ringing in the above tower by the conductor.

## MILES PLATTING, MANCHESTER.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BANK'S 6-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. 22 lbs.

*PERCY SHUKER ... .. Treble	ISAAC SCHOFIELD ... .. 5
†ANTHONY MERCER ... .. 2	FRANK STONELEY ... .. 6
JOSEPH HALL ... .. 3	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT 7
HARRY SHUKER ... .. 4	*GEORGE SHUKER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK STONELEY.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal of Triples with a Bob bell. Rung to celebrate the birthday and the thirtieth anniversary of the induction of the Rev. A. Anderton, rector. The ringers of the treble and tenor are the sons of the ringer of the 4th.

## FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt. in F.

ERNEST LINCOLN ... .. Treble	JOHN C. DICKIN ... .. 5
ROBERT RICHES... .. 2	JACOB FILBY... .. 6
GEORGE FILBY ... .. 3	WALTER RICHES ... .. 7
JOHN ETHERIDGE ... .. 4	ALBERT RICHES ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by ALBERT RICHES.

\* First peal on eight bells. This peal was arranged for Mr. J. C. Dickin, of Beeston, Notts, who was on a visit to Fressingfield, and who was elected a member of this Association previous to starting.

## BARTHOMLEY, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, July 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.

At the Church of St. Bertholine,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

WILLIAM SUTTON ... .. Treble	*GEORGE WHALLEY ... .. 5
JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 2	ARTHUR ALLMAN ... .. 6
RICHARD SHERRATT ... .. 3	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... .. 7
JOHN BRASSINGTON ... .. 4	ALBERT ASTBURY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. CRAWLEY.

\* First peal in the method.

## CHORLEY, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes.

At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A Variation of Taylor's Six-Part by Fred Rigby.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN MARSDEN ... .. Treble	JOHN H. GARTSIDE, JUN. ... .. 5
*GEORGE W. BRINDLE ... .. 2	FRED RIGBY ... .. 6
*RICHARD CLAYTON ... .. 3	†WALTER BLACKLEDGE ... .. 7
TOM LOFTHOUSE ... .. 4	GEORGE HEWITT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRED RIGBY.

\* First peal. † First peal on an inside bell. This is the first peal ever rung in the town of Chorley by a local band.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## CLAPHAM, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

At the Church of St. Thomas,

On Monday, June 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's.

H. J. HARLOW, late R.E. ... Treble	*W. G. BLAND, late R.F. ... 4
*H. SMITH .. M.G.C. 2	R. KENDALL .. R.D.F. 5
*S. A. SMITH .. B.I.Y. 3	E. WHITE .. R.E. ... Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD WHITE.

\* First peal. This peal is the first rung in the County of Bedford and for the Bedfordshire Association entirely by Ex-Service men.

## DIDSBURY, MANCHESTER.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes.

At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

Ten different callings.

*PERCY SHUKER ... .. Treble	JOSEPH HALL ... .. 4
MISS EMMA TONGE ... .. 2	FRANK STONELEY ... .. 5
†ANTHONY MAIN ... .. 3	*MISS ENIE TINDALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. STONELEY.

\* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a farewell to Miss Tindall, who is leaving with the Rector (the Rev. A. Tindall) on his appointment to Ventnor, Isle of Wight. First peal on the bells.

## WOOD DITTON, CAMBS.

## THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.

Being 42 six scores of Grandsire, and 20 six scores Plain Bob.

†MISS V. SHORTER ... .. Treble	*R. SHARPE ... .. 3
P. FORDHAM ... .. 2	†H. STANNARD ... .. 4
†R. LATHBURY ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by R. LATHBURY.

\* First peal. † First peal of Doubles. First peal on the bells.

## LAVENDON, BUCKS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes.

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 2x six-score each of Grandsire and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt. ap.

CHARLES COCKING ... .. Treble	WILLIAM STOCK ... .. 3
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 2	HERBERT ROBINSON ... .. 4
HENRY STAPLETON ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by HENRY W. GAYTON.

This was the first peal on the bells.

## BARTON-IN-FABIS, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes.

At the Church of St. George,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double and Single Court, Double and Single Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

WILLIAM E. WHITE ... .. Treble	THOMAS H. KIRKBY ... .. 4
WALTER WHITE ... .. 2	WILLIAM WILLSON, SEN. ... .. 5
REV. C. J. STURTON ... .. 3	THOMAS SQUIRES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER WHITE.

This is the first peal on the bells recently augmented from two by Messrs. John Taylor &amp; Co. Messrs. W. E. and W. White and T. Squires are from Cotgrave; Rev. C. J. Sturton, Orston; T. H. Kirkby, Nottingham; and W. Willson, Leicester.

## WOLLASTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

NORTHERN BRANCH.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.

At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ERNEST J. BROOKS ... .. Treble	JOHN BASS ... .. 4
ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 2	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 3	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled previous to the unveiling of a memorial tablet erected in the church recording the names of the fifty-three men of the parish who fell in the Great War.

## WOOLHOPE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.

At the Church of St. George.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN BEAVAN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... .. 4
EX-SERGT. J. WILLIAMS ... .. 2	JOHN CLARKE ... .. 5
WILLIAM POSTON ... .. 3	CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

First peal of Minor on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, Woolhope being his birthplace.

## HASKETON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes.

At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Delight and Woodbine, two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and 720 of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

CHARLES ABLITT ... .. Treble	FRANK L. FISHER ... .. 4
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 2	JOSEPH LAST ... .. 5
CHARLES E. FISHER ... .. 3	GEORGE R. FINCH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

## RUXTON, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

MATTHEW TIMBERS ... .. Treble	*RICHARD H. BARBER ... .. 4
FREDERICK J. BARBER ... .. 2	WALTER FORD ... .. 5
WILLIAM J. WASEY ... .. 3	WALTER C. MEDLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

\* First peal.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

CAMBERWELL, S.E.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN DISTRICT AND ST. GILES, CAMBERWELL, SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, July 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

In the Tower of St. Giles' Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANCES;

ERNEST J. KING ... .. 1-2	ISAAC ATTWATER ... .. 5-6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 3-4	ALBERT C. V. GASSON ... .. 7-8
WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... .. 9-10	

Composed by G. R. FARDON. Conducted by THOS. H. TAFFENDER.

Umpires: Messrs. CHALLIS F. WINNEY and ROBERT C. CHAPPEL.

First peal on handbells by all except Mr. Attwater and the conductor. First peal of Stedman Caters on handbells by the Association. Also first peal by the local society. The band are all Ex-Service men.

The peal of Grandsire Doubles at Little Waldringfield, Suffolk on May 23rd, and published as a Norwich and Ipswich peal, should have been credited, we are informed, to the Ely and St. Edmundsbury Association.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

## THE MEMORIAL FUND.

A very successful meeting of the Bristol Branch of the above Association was held at Olveston on Saturday, July 17th. A party making the journey from Bristol in a lorry bus reached Olveston soon after 3 o'clock, and received a very hearty welcome from the local ringers. The fine peal of 8 bells was kept busy in various methods until the service, at which the Rev. Canon Fisher (Vicar) officiated. By the kind invitation of Canon and Mrs. Fisher, the party was entertained at the Vicarage to an excellent tea to which some 40 members and friends sat down. The Vicar presided at the business meeting at which several new members were elected, including Mr. T. White, who had been a ringer at Olveston for over 53 years. During the meeting the Hon. Sec. (Mr. E. Guise) referred to the memorial scheme, stating that there was about £70 in hand, but that a good deal more was wanted. He impressed upon the members the necessity of doing their utmost to make it a success. Mr. J. Little suggested passing round 'the hat,' and as a result the sum of £1 10s. was added to the fund.

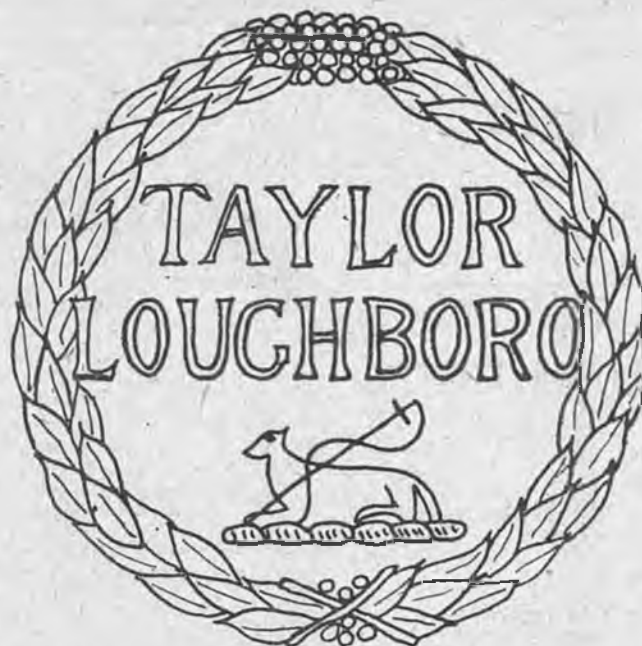
Mr. H. T. Howell thanked the chairman and Mrs. Fisher, on behalf of the branch for their kindness in entertaining the Association and the Canon suitably replied.

Some of the party then went on to Thornbury, where the fine peal of 8 bells were made good use of, while others had the pleasure of looking over the castle and grounds.

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### BISHOP'S STORTFORD'S CENTENARY.

Bishop's Stortford has just celebrated the centenary of the opening of the peal of ten bells at St. Michael's Parish Church by a peal of Grandsire Caters, recorded in another column.

The first mention of bells at this church was in 1430, when the churchwarden's accounts refer to a heavy peal of five, which by 1819 had been increased to eight. In that year the bells were removed for the rebuilding of the tower, and the old bell frame was temporarily re-erected in Market Square, and the bells were re-hung upon it. Remaining there for some weeks, they were then stored for 52 weeks at 1s. 3d. per week. Then the late Mr. Joseph Tucker canvassed the town for subscriptions to provide two new bells to make up the peal to ten. They were re-cast, and the whole peal of ten bells was re-hung in 1820 by Mr. John Briant, of Hertford. In 1822 Mr. Joseph Tucker was appointed to the office of sexton, which was successively held by his widow, the late Mrs. Jemima Tucker; his son, the late Mr. W. H. Tucker, and his grandson, Mr. H. J. Tucker, of Langham House, Thorley, until the office was abolished in 1904. By July 19th, 1820, the bells had been re-hung, and the ringers were entertained to a dinner in anticipation of the opening on the following day. The first peal on the bells was not rung until September 2nd and was accomplished by ten members of the Society of College Youths, who rang a peal of Grandsire Caters, 5,039 changes, conducted by Mr. Henry Symondson, senior.

The centenary peal was composed and conducted by Mr. H. J. Tucker.

### A LEICESTER RINGER'S WEDDING.

Mr. H. Edward Norman and Miss Nellie Norman, of St. John the Divine, Leicester, have joined up for the duration of—life! The bridegroom did a similar act four years ago, but that was until peace was declared only, and then he was put into khaki and pushed off to the uttermost parts of the earth, while the belfry knew him no more. Mesopotamia tanned his hide almost as well as a sergeant-major could do it, and when Ted returned as dark as an Arab, but safe and sound, his footsteps soon found the belfry again, and his thoughts turned towards running in double harness. This culminated in the wedding mentioned above, for the two were made one at St. John's on July 24th, 1920. The wedding march was rendered by the organist, Mr. J. H. Taylor, while the ringers up aloft sent out their message of goodwill to the tune of 5,038 Double Norwich.

At the previous Monday evening practice the Vicar (Rev. Shirley White, M.A.) handed to the prospective groom a silver-plated crust from the company, expressing their hope that it would always be found necessary to use it.

It would require a woman journalist to describe the garments worn at the wedding; the more prosaic writer is content to say both wore clothes and a huge smile and a very happy time was spent later in the adjoining schoolroom, where a reception, tea and social was held, when song, speech and handbells reigned in perfect harmony until a later hour. Ted Norman has rung in many peals both in hand and on the tower bells, and a right good fellow is he. May the present peal 'in hand' be a long one. W. W.

### OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

#### THE ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

On Saturday, July 24th, the 39th Festival of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Reading. Proceedings commenced with service at St. Laurence's Church, for which good touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters were rung by early arrivals. A most inspiring address was given by the Rev. F. Burnett, of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Reading, who preached from the last verse of Psalm lxxvii. (Bible Version) 'As well the singers, as the players on instruments, shall be there; all my springs are in Thee.'

The business meeting was held in the Abbey Hall, and was attended by 104 members, representing 52 towers. Alterations were made to two of the rules. The annual subscription was raised from 1s. to 1s. 6d., to date from the end of the current year. To make life membership prohibitive, the 15s. in Rule VI. has been increased to £2 2s., and a non-resident life member will be required to pay 5s. instead of 3s. 6d., as heretofore.

The officers were re-elected, and the secretary (Mr. R. T. Hibbert) was voted an honourarium of £20 in recognition of past services. Dinner took place in the Small Town Hall the Mayor of Reading (Dr. Abram) presiding over a company of 136.

After the usual toasts the members dispersed, and ringing, which was above the average for a general meeting, was indulged in at St. Laurence's (10 bells), St. Mary's and St. Giles, Reading; Caversham, Tilehurst, Sonning, Shiplake Twyford (8 bells each), Pangbourne and Furlay (6 bells each). The towers of Mapledurham and Shinfield (8 bells each) were also open, but were too far afield for visitors to reach.



## LOWESTOFT'S BELLS. DEDICATION OF THE NEW PEAL.

As briefly announced in our last issue a peal of eight bells has been placed in the Parish Church of St. Margaret, Lowestoft, and was dedicated by the Dean of Norwich (Dr. Willink) at evensong of the Patronal Festival. One of the reasons that have prevented placing a peal of bells in Lowestoft before has been the fact that the tower was not considered safe to hold them. The Rector (Rev. Evan Morgan) worked with enthusiasm to get the tower put in order and this accomplished, Mr. T. Sergeant, who for many years had set his heart on seeing a peal erected in the church, very quickly collected the funds necessary to achieve the object. The bells and fittings are the product of the Loughborough Foundry and they are specially interesting, as will be seen from the inscriptions; which are as follows:

Treble — 'Presented by J. W. Brooke and Co., Ltd., Lowestoft, 1920.'

(2).— 'Dedicated to Lowestoft Fishermen, Fred Spashett.'

(3).— 'The Drifters' Bell, presented by the Lowestoft Steam Herring Drifters' Co., Ltd.'

(4).— 'Given by Charlotte Sims, in memory of her parents, two brothers, and one sister.'

(5).— 'Trawlers' Bell, subscribed by the trade.'

(6).— 'The Gallant Dead 1914-1918.'

(7).— 'This bell was dedicated to the memory of Skipper Thomas Crisp, V.C., of the trawler "Nelson," who gave his life for his country, August 15th, 1917.'

Tenor.— 'John and Sarah Breach, given in loving memory by their sons and daughters.'

The dedication was attended, says the 'Lowestoft Journal,' by a crowded congregation and was performed by the Dean, in the course of an impressive service. The Dean preached an eloquent sermon from the words, 'Render therefore to all their dues . . . honour to whom honour is due.' They had assembled, said the preacher, to dedicate that peal of bells, a noble addition to the equipment of their noble church, in grateful memory to those who died that we might live. Surely, he added, we were doing the right thing in thus gathering together to praise God and to tell our brothers how they thanked them. This was but one of the memorials which this parish and this grateful town intended to dedicate to Almighty God. But no finer memorial could be imagined than this. Their church was wonderfully equipped in many ways, but he remembered how in olden days it had ever lacked a peal of bells. From that night the reproach was rolled away and those bells, which for a transient moment they had listened to, would for all succeeding generations tell by their melodious chimes what was in the hearts of all that day. It would be what few memorials were, an appeal to the ear as well as to the eye and to the heart. He warmly congratulated their church, and indeed the borough upon this great accession to their equipment. He thanked God that it was put into the hearts of the generous donors to come forward in such a wonderful way to provide the necessary funds for the completion of this memorial. By this peal of bells they were proving to this and future generations their thankfulness to God for the heroism of their dead who sacrificed themselves for home and God and liberty. Such a death was immortality, and they were enshrining their memories in the melody of those bells, whose message he could best give in those Norman French words which literally defied translation, and yet sent home the message to every heart—*Noblesse Oblige*. The preacher concluded by pointing the lessons of the responsibilities that were theirs through their blessings and privileges.

The first touch on the bells was 42 Grandsire Triples: Chas. E. Borrett (conductor) treble, Frederick Knights 2nd, Frederick H. Borrett 3rd, George H. Cross 4th, Albert Rought 5th, John Oldham 6th, Frederick H. Knights 7th, Arthur L. Coleman 8th.

At the conclusion of the service 288 changes of Kent Treble Bob Major and a touch of Bob Major were rung, and the bells were then lowered in peal.

Subsequently, on the invitation of Mr. Sergeant, the ringers were entertained to supper at the Crown Hotel. The Rector of Lowestoft was in the chair, and included in the company were the churchwardens (Messrs. H. W. Bevan and C. D. Dance, jun.), Mr. Lancelot Orde, Mr. Woodley, Mr. J. Oldham and Mr. L. Dexter (representing Messrs. John Taylor and Co., the bellfounders).

At the conclusion of the repast the Rector warmly thanked the members of the Diocesan Association of Ringers for coming there that evening to ring St. Margaret's Bells. He cordially acknowledged the efforts of Mr. Sergeant in raising the money for the bells.

Mr. Coleman returned thanks for the ringers and said how fitting it was that the Dean, who was President of the Association, should have been present that evening to dedicate the bells. — Mr. C. Borrett spoke highly of the bells. They were of beautiful tone, and it was a pleasure to ring them.

Mr. J. Oldham, on behalf of his firm, acknowledged the compliment paid.

Mr. T. Sergeant, who was received with warm applause said he had had at heart the provision of a peal of bells for St. Margaret's

ever since he came to Lowestoft. But the state of the tower prevented him carrying out the idea. When, however, the architect pronounced the tower safe and sound, he got to work and obtained money for the bells of Lowestoft. The bells were variously inscribed. There was the one, 'To the Gallant Dead,' the Drifters' Bell, and the Trawlers' Bell, provided by those engaged in the industries. Then there was the Breach bell, given by members of that highly respected family; and there was the V.C. bell, to the memory of gallant Skipper Crisp. So in one way and another the peal was very comprehensive. He added that his father was instrumental in obtaining a peal of bells and chimes for Bedford, and that example must have inspired him to do the same for St. Margaret's. When those bells rang to-night, concluded Mr. Sergeant, I said to myself: My father hears these bells.

Mr. Woodley formerly a ringer at St. Paul's Cathedral (who had been mentioned by the Rector as willing to form and teach a band of ringers), said he was prepared to do what he could. It would be uphill work, but if the young men who volunteered would only put their hearts into it they would soon learn, and there was no reason why they should not have a good guild of ringers for St. Margaret's (hear, hear).

Some of the ringers then gave selections on the handbells, and thanks to the Rector ended a very delightful time.

## THE LEICESTER CONTROVERSY.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—There would have been no controversy had Mr. Morris confined himself to the subject of his first letter. He wishes to know who gave me permission to answer for Leicester. I have the authority of those 8 and 10 bell societies to whom his letter referred—the society who, while they openly scoffed at his 6-bell performances, were very glad of his help in scoring their 8 and 10 bell peals. Mr. Morris only rang 8 and 10 bell peals with our society in Leicester. This was the society that gave him every opportunity to become a first-class ringer. If my assertions be deliberate lies, how does he reconcile the fact, that from the time St. Martin's Society commenced ringing Major methods we had a company who rang Double Norwich, Superlative and London for Sunday services among our Sunday ringers? My letter, he says, teems with self-glory in order to belittle him. I hope that he will believe me when I say that it is impossible for me to do this. Now, my position as a ringer at St. Martin's does not warrant me in either giving or refusing permission for the use of the bells. Mr. Morris says that he would like the views of other members of St. Martin's. Those views were expressed in my last letter which was sent for publication at their request. Unfortunately, not being a believer in spiritualism I cannot get the views of past members.

Mr. Morris compares the performances he called with the peals of our society, again to his glorification. I was much too modest to give mine. 'Agreed' they do compare very favourably, in numbers.

Now, when Mr. Morris accuses me of making attacks on him during his sad bereavement and to do so knowingly, he does me an injustice; my reply was posted the Sunday following the publication of his letter, at that time we had not heard of the illness of his wife. But if he could publish his accusation, a letter that was underlined with venom, then most certainly he must read a letter in defence. Does Mr. Morris think that I have nothing better to do than run round after every Tom, Dick or Harry who make public their wild statements and then squeal when they have a reply by the same medium. In reference to the assertion that no one has a chance to call a peal at our church but myself, surely it is up to me if I obtain permission to attempt a peal to find a conductor?

Failing that I certainly call it, I leave this question to those who do know whether any chances are to be had. Finally, remember there are two sorts of conductors, one who does it all for self-glory, the second who does it to oblige the band and would prefer others to do it. I suppose Mr. Morris claims to belong to the second, certainly.

Yours faithfully,

FRED. H. DEXTER.

## HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A District Meeting of the Northern Division was held at Great Wymondley on Saturday July 17th. A bright service was conducted by the Rev. A. L. Smith, who also presided at the organ. Tea and business meeting followed in the Parish Room. The Rev. A. L. Smith was unanimously voted to the chair—Three new members were elected, and the chairman was elected an honorary member.—It was proposed and carried that the Association meet at Wymondley once a year in the month of July.—Thanks were expressed by all members present for the free tea, very kindly provided by the Rev. A. L. Smith.—Had it been a fine afternoon there would undoubtedly have been a better attendance.—The usual vote of thanks was expressed for the use of the bells and for the service in church. Ringing was resumed after tea, and later the members adjourned to St. Ippolyts, bringing a very happy afternoon to a close. Touches were rung in eight different methods, including Cambridge Surprise and Worcester.

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## CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## OFFICIAL MINUTES.

The third session of the Tenth Council (28th meeting) was held, by kind permission of the Mayor and Corporation, in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall, Northampton, on Whitsun Tuesday, May 25th, 1920, at 11 a.m., when there were present 55 out of 98 representative members, and five out of 14 honorary members, making a total of 60 present out of 112 members on the roll.

Rev. A. H. P. Boughy (President) was in the chair.

The Mayor of Northampton (Councillor F. Kilby) honoured the opening of the proceedings with his presence and made a graceful speech, extending a hearty welcome to the Town Hall and borough to the assembled members, and withdrew after a brief and cordial acknowledgment from the President, on behalf of the Council.

After prayers, the minutes of the last meeting, having been published some months previously, were taken as read, confirmed and signed. In connection with the minutes the President announced that he had received a gracious reply to the address to the King, and the Hon. Secretary announced that he had received from Mrs. J. W. Taylor a touching reply to the message of condolence.

The President then announced that he had received the Roll of Honour of all save three of the affiliated Guilds and Associations, and that he would commence reading the combined roll at noon precisely.

Apologies for absence were announced as having been received from the hon. secretary of the Bath and Wells Association on behalf of all their representatives, Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Mr. J. Carter, Mr. H. Chapman, Mr. C. Edwards, Miss Gillingham, Mr. J. Griffin, Major Hesse, Mr. E. H. Lewis, Mr. J. W. Jones, Rev. C. C. Marshall, Rev. Canon Papillon and Mr. F. Willey.

The Hon. Treasurer presented the statement of accounts, of which the following is a summary, viz.: Balance in hand last year, £33 5s. 5d.; affiliation fees (including one in arrears), £12 10s.; sale of publications, £16 13s. 2d.; interest on stock £4 5s. 8d. Against this there had been for printing, etc., £1 15s. 3d.; postage, etc., £1 1s. 5d.; leaving in hand this year £63 15s. 7d. The accounts were passed, on the proposal of the Rev. Canon Coleridge, seconded by the Rev. Canon Baker.

The Hon. Librarian read the statement of the sale of publications, and was heartily congratulated and thanked on the net receipts, £16 13s. 2d., as recorded above, being much the largest annual sum hitherto realised.

The four retiring honorary members, viz., Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Mr. J. George, Miss N. Gillingham and Mr. H. W. Wilde, were unanimously re-elected, on the motion of Mr. J. S. Pritchett, seconded by Mr. T. H. Beams.

The following were introduced to and shook hands with the President viz.: Mr. A. L. Coleman of the Norwich and Ipswich Diocesan Association; Mr. W. Shepherd, of the Winchester Diocesan Association; and Mr. J. Cotterell, of the Yorkshire Association.

For the Standing Committee the President proposed, it being seconded by the Rev. M. Kelly, that a library be established for the use of members of any Guild or Association affiliated to the Council. In the course of the discussion which followed the Hon. Librarian expressed his readiness to give a library a home, at least for the time being, in his own house, this kind offer being accepted by acclamation. It was also agreed that details of the scheme be left in the hands of the president, the hon. secretary and the hon. librarian.

The President then read the draft of a circular letter which he had drawn up, embodying the suggestions of the Standing Committee, and which it was proposed to send to clergy having bells in their towers. On the proposal of the President seconded by the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, it was resolved to circulate the letter, the suggestion being adopted that it should be sent also to Bishops, Archdeacons and Rural Deans, and that the details be left to the Standing Committee.

The discussion of the foregoing subject was interrupted at noon by the reading of the Roll of Honour, all the members rising in their places. The roll contained about 950 names, the reading of which occupied the President for 25 minutes. Bells in some of the churches were tolled for a short space at the commencement, and the President recited brief prayers at the end.

The report of the Standing Committee on procedure at the meetings of Council stated that the committee had duly considered the subject and were of opinion that it would be best to leave the procedure in the hands of the President.

The Hon. Secretary reported that only seven affiliated Guilds and Associations had signified to him their decision on the question of compulsory powers being conferred on the Council, and that none of them was in favour of it. A few of the members present then reported similarly of the Associations which they represented, and, after a brief discussion, the subject dropped.

For the Peal Collection Committee the President read the report published by the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, and Mr. H. W. Wilde also spoke. The cost of printing the collection of Treble Bob peals would, at present prices, be far beyond the reach of the Council, the Standing Committee having been consulted and being unanimous on

this point. It was accordingly resolved, on the proposal of the President, seconded by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, that the collection be referred again to the Collection Committee.

For the Literature and Press Committee the Rev. C. E. Matthews reported that Mr. R. A. Daniell had handed to him all the material that he had collected for the proposed Bibliography, and that it proved to be exceedingly valuable, showing at the same time the great care and pains that had been bestowed on the matter by Mr. Daniell. For his devoted labours a cordial vote of thanks to Mr. Daniell was unanimously passed on the proposal of the Rev. C. E. Matthews, seconded by Mr. E. A. Young. A proposal to open a subscription for printing the Bibliography was withdrawn, and a resolution, proposed by the President, and seconded by the Rev. H. Drake, was passed, instructing the Committee to continue the work, to prepare a copy to be deposited in the Council Library and publish it in the 'Ringing World,' or in a pamphlet, as funds would permit.

The Rev. H. Law James, for the Methods Committee, moved that the selection of Plain Methods and Little Bob Methods be printed. This was seconded by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, and after the incorporation of the words, 'if and when the Council thinks it advisable,' as suggested by Mr. J. S. Pritchett, was duly carried.

It was further proposed by the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt Drake, seconded by Mr. R. Narborough, and carried, that it be an instruction to the Committee to print bobs and singles.

A proposal to publish some of the methods in the 'Ringing World,' payment being made by the Council, was lost.

The adoption of the report of the Peals Analysis Committee was moved by Mr. A. T. King, seconded by Mr. G. Williams.—The Rev. H. Law James, having pointed out that two peals had been omitted from the list the President undertook to ask the hon. librarian to insert them before laying up the year's analysis in the library with the archives of the Council, and the report was adopted.—Mr. King having remarked that this committee were in need of some addition to their number, it was proposed by the Rev. Canon Coleridge, seconded by Mr. T. Groombridge, and carried unanimously, that the Rev. A. T. Beeston be added to the committee.

Mr. E. A. Young read the report of the Towers and Belfries Committee, drawn up by Mr. E. H. Lewis, stating that members of the committee had been individually consulted with regard to hanging of rings of bells, but that nothing further of special note had been done.—The report was adopted.

The Rev. Canon Elsee for the Bells of Belgium Committee, reported that Mr. Lewis was hoping to go to Belgium in the near future, to obtain trustworthy information as to the real condition of the bells there, the want of accurate particulars having been the chief difficulty.

It was moved by the Rev. Canon Elsee, and seconded by the Rev. F. L. Edwards, that an appeal be sent by this Council to the Bishop of London's Committee, urging the desirability of preserving all towers in the City of London in which there are notable rings of bells. An amendment to include the churches as well as their towers, moved by Mr. G. P. Burton and seconded by Mr. T. Faulkner, having been put to the meeting, was declared lost, and the original motion was then put and carried.

On behalf of Mr. E. H. Lewis, the Hon. Secretary moved that the Council compile and keep up to date an official list of the first peal and longest peal rung in each method and on each number of bells. This, having been seconded by the Rev. H. Law James was adopted, and the Rev. A. Beeston, Mr. T. Hervey Beams and the Rev. H. Law James were appointed a committee, to be styled the 'Records Committee,' to carry the resolution into effect.

In the absence of Mr. J. Carter, the consideration of the next subject on the agenda, that of 'Surprise' methods, was postponed.

It was proposed by Mr. E. A. Young, seconded by the Hon. Secretary, and carried unanimously, that the Central Council take steps to approach the authorities of the Victoria and Albert Science and Art Museum with a view to the possibility of obtaining from them the allotment of a suitable space for the exhibition in London of bells, models, papers, drawing, etc., illustrative of campanology as a science and art.

A proposal by the Rev. H. Drake seconded pro forma by Mr. E. A. Young, that arrangements be made for the Council to hold its annual meeting on the Tuesday after the first Sunday after Trinity was rejected by an overwhelming majority.

The President moved a vote of thanks to the Mayor and Corporation of Northampton for their kindness in placing the Council Chamber at their disposal that day, and referred especially to the compliment conferred on them by the Mayor in personally welcoming them that morning.—The vote was passed with cordial unanimity.

The Hon. Secretary proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. F. Wilford for all the care and trouble that he had bestowed in making arrangements for the meeting, in particular for obtaining the use of the comfortable chamber in which they had met, and also for all the other excellent arrangements that he had made as regards ringing and in every possible direction.—The vote was carried with acclamation.

The Rev. Canon Coleridge proposed a vote of thanks to the President, which was likewise carried with acclamation, and after a few words from the President in acknowledgment of the vote, the meeting adjourned.



## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August 19th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 10th; Southwark Cathedral on the 17th; and \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 24th, all at 7.30 p.m. \* Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Canterbury District.—A district meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Canterbury, on Saturday, August 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., conducted by the Rector. Tea and business meeting afterwards. Tea will be provided at 1/6 per head at Ye Old Beverlie.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Hereford District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Allensmore on Saturday, August 7th. Bells (6) available from 3.30. Service 5.30. Tea, 6d. each to members, in Schoolroom 6.15.—C. Edwards, Hon. Sec., Gt. Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chislehurst on Saturday, August 7th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., with address by Canon J. E. Dawson (Rector). Tea at 5.30, and business meeting to follow, in the Village Hall. Half fares up to 2/- allowed.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Street, Chislehurst.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Flixton, on Saturday, August 7th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting at 7. Business: Nominations for President, General Secretary, Treasurer, and four representatives for the Central Council.—W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—The annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at the Parish Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, August 14th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, August 14th, at Mildenhall. Bells 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—R. Lathbury, Hon. District Sec., Newmarket.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Horwich on Saturday, August 14th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m. Nominations for President, General Secretary, and four representatives for Central Council.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Walton on Saturday, August 14th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6. Business: Nominations for President, General Secretary, Treasurer, four Central Council representatives, Branch Secretary and Committeeman.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—Southwold District.—A meeting will be held at Southwold on Saturday, August 14th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. J. Naunton, Hon. District Sec.

WHISTON, ROTHERHAM.—The unveiling of a memorial peal tablet will take place on Saturday, August 14th, at 4.30 p.m., by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield. Bells available after the ceremony.

LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Nicholas (Peterston Station) on Saturday, August 14th, at 4.30. Tea provided free.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Presteign and Leominster District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Kimbolton on Saturday, August 14th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at the Vicarage, 5.30. All ringers welcome.—A. Talbot, Hon. Dist. Sec., Staunton-on-Arrow, Pembroge.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Royston on Saturday, August 14th. Bells available at 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. R. Bacon, District Sec., West Hill, Hitchin.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northampton District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Cogenhoe on Saturday, August 14th.—Bells ready at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. The bells at Whiston will also be available.—S. J. Lawrence, Dist. Sec., 7, Castilian Terrace, Northampton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Rochester District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Borden on Saturday, August 21st. Bells available at 3. Short service at 5, conducted by the Vicar (Rev. Barrett). Tea at 6 at the "Maypole" Inn, followed by the business meeting. Tea will only be supplied to those who notify me by first post on Wednesday, August 18th.—Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. District Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Hoylandswaine, near Penistone, on Saturday, August 14th. Bells available 4 and 9 p.m. Other meetings more central are to be arranged later.—C. D. Potter, Sec., Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.—It has been found necessary to postpone the Ringing Festival at Lanhydrock on August 11th.—John Symons, Penzance.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—Combined practice will be held on Thursday, August 19th, at St. Mary's, Putney, from 7 to 9 p.m. All ringers invited.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.



**MR. J. SADLER'S 'CENTURY.'**

It is unusual to find a ringer with a hundred peals to his credit and yet not to have rung a peal of Triples. Mr. John Sadler reached his century at Peering, Essex on July 19th, and his total is made up of the following:—Bob Major 15, Double Norwich 26, Oxford Treble Bob 17, Kent Treble Bob 12, Superlative Surprise 20, Cambridge Surprise 9, Minor in 7 Method, 1.

**KENT ASSOCIATION.**

Over 30 members attended the meeting of the Tonbridge District of the Kent Association held at East Peckham on July 17th, when they were entertained to tea at the Vicarage by the Rev. G. C. B. and Mrs. Ryley. The Vicar also conducted a special service. The next meeting is to be held at Staplehurst.

**MEMORIAL TO THE LATE REV. H. A. COCKEY.**

A dedication service will be held at St. Anne's Church, Oldland Common, near Bristol, on Saturday, August 14th, 1920. Service, which will commence at 4 p.m., will be taken by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. Tea in School Hall, at 5 p.m., 1s. per head. Tickets for tea can be obtained from any of the Branch Secretaries of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, or direct from Edgar Guise, 39, Tankards Close, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol. Will all those who knew the Rev. H. A. Cockey make a special effort to attend?

**BIRTH.**

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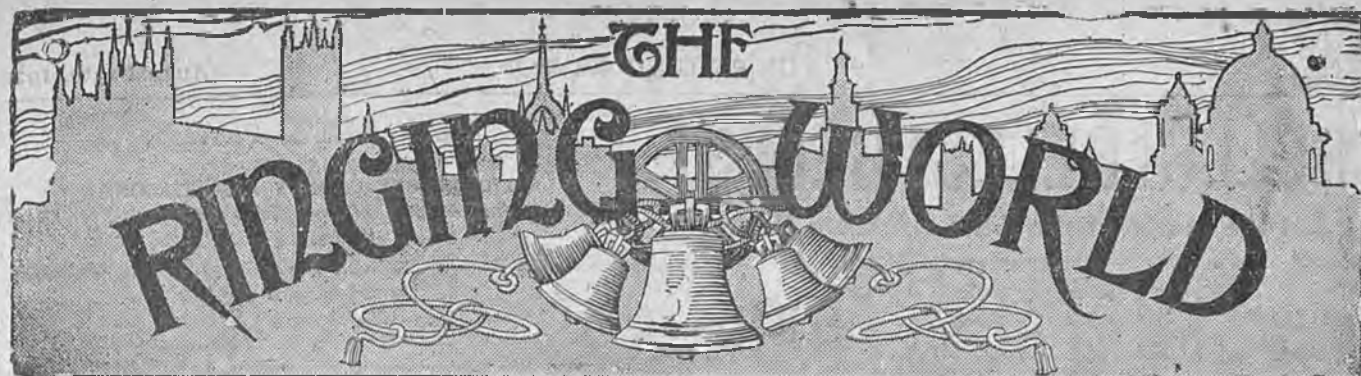
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## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;  
Tenor 25½ cwt.

THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 6
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. 3	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 8
CHARLES PALMER ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. 9
ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. PASMORE ... Tenor

Composed by FRED ROBINSON. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;  
Tenor 25½ cwt.

C. W. CLARKE ... .. Treble	ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 6
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... 2	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 7
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 3	CHARLES H. PAGE ... .. 8
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. 9
MAURICE SMITHERS ... .. 5	RICHARD STREDWICK ... Tenor

Composed by GEORGE T. DALTRY. Conducted by KEITH HART.

CHICHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5048 CHANGES;  
Tenor 24½ cwt.

MISS HILDA WILLSON ... Treble	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. 6
WALTER ALLWOOD ... .. 2	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 7
GEORGE HOLLIS ... .. 3	JOHN FLINT ... .. 8
* ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 9
FRANK JACOBS ... .. 5	WILLIAM BENNETT ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. † 400th peal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

STANSTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

FREDERICK PITSTOW, SENR. Treble	GEO. F. WILLIAMS ... .. 5
WILLIAM T. PRIOR ... .. 2	HENRY DEW ... .. 6
ERNEST A. PITSTOW ... .. 3	THOMAS J. WATTS ... .. 7
WALTER PRIOR ... .. 4	GEORGE JORDAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEORGE JORDAN.

This peal was arranged for Mr. George F. Williams, of Hull.

HEENE, WORTHING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
Tenor 10½ cwt.

ARTHUR ARNELL ... .. Treble	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 5
* MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 2	HENRY STALHAM ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... .. 3	ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 7
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 4	EDMUND H. LINDOP ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal of Major on tower bells.

NEW ROMNEY, KENT.—On Saturday, July 31st, meeting short for a peal of Major, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob was rung on the back six as follows: S. Binfield (Folkestone) 1, C. W. Player (Stone) 2, C. Tribe (Tenterden) 3, H. S. Humphery (Romney) 4, F. S. Ruck (Mersham), conductor 5, H. Castle (Ashford) 6.



**NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thursday, July 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	D. C. WILLIAMS, F.R.C.O. ... 5
JAMES R. MACKMAN ... .. 2	ALFRED MEARS ... .. 6
WALTER G. ROWE ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. 7
HENRY W. WILKES ... .. 4	OWEN H. GILES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

**BOURNEMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, July 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART REVERSED.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*HARRY V. W. HARRIS ... Treble	CHARLES R. FORFITT ... 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 2	JOSEPH W. WHITE ... .. 6
EDMUND KING ... .. 3	CHARLES W. GOODENOUGH ... 7
†ARTHUR W. FLOWERS ... 4	*EDWARD GARRETT ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman. Messrs. White and King were elected members in the tower previous to starting.

**BUNGAY, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, July 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F.

NORMAN R. BAILEY ... Treble	ALFRED WATSON ... .. 5
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 2	CHARLES F. WOODS ... .. 6
GEORGE MAYES ... .. 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 7
ERNEST LINCOLN ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... Tenor

Composed by C. V. EBBERTSON. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

This composition is now rung for the first time, and contains the 5th twenty times in 6th's and 6th the extent home. The peal was a 'peace peal' for the town and district; also a centenary peal for the bells, which were cast by T. Mears, of the Whitechapel Foundry, London, and placed in the tower about this date 1820.

**HENLEY, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, July 31st, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

*CECIL W. PIPE ... Treble	ALBERT FLEMING ... .. 5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ... 2	*FREDERICK BOWELL ... .. 6
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	ARTHUR S. BOAR ... .. 7
CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 4	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

\* First peal. No. 49 C.C. collection. The ringer of the treble is but thirteen years of age, and he only commenced to learn change-ringing this year. This was his first attempt for a peal, and he had only rung on eight bells on two previous occasions.

**CLUN, SHROPSHIRE**

**THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.**

*On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in F.

HENRY C. COLLYER ... Treble	DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 5
*WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 2	GEORGE JONES ... .. 6
BERT RIXON ... .. 3	WALTER LAGO ... .. 7
CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Composed by C. R. LILLEY.

\* First peal of Major. First peal in the method on the bells. The ringers would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. William Mead for all he did to make their visit an enjoyable one. The band were also members of the Hereford Diocesan Guild.

**BAMBURGH, NORTHUMBERLAND.**

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
(NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

*On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,*  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S FIVE-PART, No. 6.

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOSEPH ROWELL ... Treble	JOHN FOREMAN ... .. 5
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 2	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 6
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE ... 3	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 7
WILLIAM STORY ... .. 4	RICHARD THOMPSON, JUNR. Tenor

Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

The first peal on the bells.

**LYMINGE, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND EADBURG.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 18 cwt.

*JACK STEER ... Treble	EDWARD RUCK ... .. 5
GEORGE CULLUM ... .. 2	HENRY CASTLE ... .. 6
FREDRICK NYE ... .. 3	LOUIS HEAD ... .. 7
ERNEST CHEESMAN ... .. 4	†THOMAS WEBB ... Tenor

Conducted by LOUIS HEAD.

\* First peal away from tenor. † First peal. The ringer of the 3rd was elected a member of the Kent County Association before starting.

**STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

JAMES MOTTS ... Treble	WILLIAM G. CRICKMER ... 5
ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 2	EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 6
STEDMAN HARRY SYMONDS ... 3	ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. ROMSEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM R. J. POULSON ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by J. MOTTS.

Messrs. E. E. Grimes and W. C. Rumsey hail from Debenham, Messrs. W. G. Crickmer and E. Jenkins from Earl Soham, Messrs. A. Symonds, S. H. Symonds and W. R. J. Poulson from Lavenham, Suffolk. The ringers wish to thank Mr. W. Souter for his kindness in having the bells ready.

**BRIDLINGTON, YORKSHIRE.**

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,*  
AT THE PRIORY CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 26 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in D.

JOHN H. CHAMBERLAIN ... Treble	ARTHUR M. C. FIELD ... 5
CHARLES P. BRADLEY ... .. 2	HARRY RODMELL ... .. 6
FRANK WILLEY ... .. 3	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... .. 7
*ALBERT E. SELLERS ... .. 4	WILLIAM MIDDLETON ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by GEO. F. WILLIAMS.

\* First peal in the method.

**BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Three Hours,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt.

*CLAUDE I. DAVIES ... Treble	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 5
*WALTER FISHER ... .. 2	HERBERT LODKIN ... .. 6
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 3	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... .. 7
THOMAS HAMMOND, JUNR. ... 4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by A. E. SHARMAN.

\* First peal of Major. The ringer of the treble hails from Newport, Mon., the 5th and 7th from Husborne Crawley and Dunstable, Bedfordshire, and were elected life members of the Association before starting the peal.

## DERBY.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ARTHUR J. ORGILL ... .. Treble	CHARLES DRAPER ... .. 5
WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... .. 2	JOSEPH LORD ... .. 6
JOHN HAYNES ... .. 3	GEORGE FREEBRY ... .. 7
*GEORGE W. BRAME ... .. 4	ARTHUR SHERWOOD ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. THURSTON. Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

\* First peal on a Bob bell.

## STAVELEY, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.

On Tuesday, August 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. Treble	FRANK JACOBS ... .. 5
FREDERICK E. SMITH ... .. 2	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 6
ALFRED E. PARSONS ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. PALMER ... .. 7
FREDERICK E. PARSONS ... .. 4	WILLIAM JACQUES ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Rung in celebration of the knighthood of Dr. Josiah Court, of Staveley.

## FAKENHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. Treble	CHARLES S. TUTHILL ... .. 5
ARTHUR W. BALDWIN ... .. 2	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 6
CHARLES WYEROW ... .. 3	ROBERT W. COOKE ... .. 7
GEORGE COOKE ... .. 4	FREDERICK T. COOKE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WM. E. BASON.

The composition contains the full combination of 4, 5, 6, in 5—6, Rung to celebrate the birthdays of the ringers of 3rd, 5th and 7th, also of a daughter of the 5th ringer and two sons of the conductor, all of which were within a few days of this date. F. T. Cooke, now residing at Peterborough, was originally a member of the local company and was on a visit to Fakenham.

## FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, August 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ARTHUR UNSWORTH ... .. Treble	CHARLES BOYERS ... .. 5
*JOHN EDWARD BIBBY ... .. 2	WILLIAM BIBBY ... .. 6
WALTER WOLSTANECROFT ... .. 3	THOMAS H. LIGHTFOOT ... .. 7
*FRANCIS BIBBY ... .. 4	*ROBERT GLEAVE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM BIBBY.

\* First peal. Quickest peal on the bells. The ringers of 4th and tenor are 17 years of age.

## SCARBOROUGH, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN DISTRICT.)

On Wednesday, August 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

HENRY FERGUSON ... .. Treble	THOMAS HAIGH ... .. 5
MISS PHYLLIS HARE ... .. 2	HARRY GIBSON ... .. 6
FRED MOULSON ... .. 3	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 7
JOHN R. BARTON ... .. 4	FRANK DAVISON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. TEBBUTT.

The ringers of 2nd, 7th and tenor were elected members of the Association before starting. Arranged specially for Miss Hare and Mr. Tebbutt, of Woodston, Peterborough.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## GAYWOOD, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

FREDERICK MITCHELL ... .. Treble	W. ELDERED ... .. 4
WILLIAM MITCHELL ... .. 2	B. M. TARGETT ... .. 5
TOM GREENACRE ... .. 3	GEORGE HAWES ... .. Tenor

Each ringer conducted a 720, the ringer of the tenor conducting two 720's.

## SHARNBROOK, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 31, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

FREDERICK H. ALLEN ... .. Treble	MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 4
MISS KATHLEEN JUTSON ... .. 2	HARRY GAYTON ... .. 5
W. ARCHDALE NORMAN ... .. 3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. MAURICE ATKINS.

Rung in honour and just before the wedding of E. P. Duffield (Hon. Sec. to the Beds. Association) and Miss M. A. Willoughby. This is the first peal on the bells in which a lady ringer has taken part. It was H. Gayton's 100th peal, and he rang the same bell as on the occasion of his first peal.

## ROCKWELL GREEN, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

JOHN WYATT ... .. Treble	FRED POLE ... .. 4
GILBERT JONES ... .. 2	ALBERT TOUT ... .. 5
WILLIAM CLAPP ... .. 3	*GEORGE SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. TOUT.

\* First attempt. Ringers of 1 and 4 are from Fitzhead, 2 and 6 from Chipstable, 3 from Halse, 5 from Milverton.

## EWYAS HAROLD, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 7½ cwt.

CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. Treble	*CHARLES H. YOUNG ... .. 4
SIDNEY T. RACKHAM ... .. 2	JOHN W. JONES ... .. 5
JAMES P. HYETT ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. YOUNG ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal upon the bells.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

## SHARNBROOK, BEDFORDSHIRE.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
IN THE SCHOOLROOM;

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor size 13½ in D flat.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 1—2	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3—4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 7—8

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. E. P. Duffield and Miss M. A. Willoughby, of Sharnbrook. The bride and bridegroom and all the local ringers heard parts of the peal.

BALCKING, ESSEX.—On Sunday evening June 13th, for Divine service, a date touch of Kent Treble Bob Major (1920 changes) was rung upon the bells of St. Margaret's, in 1 hour 15 mins.: E. G. Cottis 1, A. J. Perkins (composer and conductor) 2, A. Worboys 3, C. Feun 4, G. W. Faulkner 5, E. Smith 6, R. Feun 7, A. C. Hardy 8. This touch has the 4th four courses in 6th's place, with jobs at 'home' at every course, and the 6th the last two courses at 'home.'

**THE PEAL AT BAMBURGH, NORTHUMBERLAND.**

For some years the Newcastle Cathedral Guild have contemplated ringing a 5,000 on the fine peal of bells at Bamburgh in one of the most beautiful and historic villages of the county, but on the outbreak of war all ringing was stopped, the result of the loyalty of the ringers, who joined the forces to a man, except one or two who were beyond fighting age. No less than six members of the Bamburgh Guild made the supreme sacrifice—a record which we doubt, any other guild of ringers in the country can equal. The bells are by Mears and Stainbank, augmented from two old bells to four, then to six, and finally to eight in 1913. All this was carried out by the energy and interest of the Vicar himself, the Rev. E. Williams, who is not only a ringer but has taken to himself the task of raising a new band of ringers to fill the place of the old Guild, so terribly depleted by war.

While the peal was going on, the other members of the Guild, and four of the ladies who honoured the event by their presence, were taken round the church, which dates back to the 10th century, and were much interested in the beautiful and artistic monument to Grace Darling, who lies buried in this ancient and romantic churchyard, which overlooks the scene of her heroic efforts in saving so many lives from the good ship *Forfarshire*, in 1847 when she and her father were in charge of the lighthouse on the outer Fern Islands.

By kind permission of the present occupant, Mrs. Pease, the visitors were allowed an interior acquaintance with the keep of the grand old feudal castle of Bamburgh which stands like a grim sentinel, guarding the shores and islands round about. Then they had tea at the *Crews Arms Hotel*, and left by motor to catch the last train to Newcastle at 4.50 p.m.

The Vicar himself kindly made all the arrangements, and also sent his own car to meet the train at Belford, four miles away, at 8.36 a.m., a very welcome service which all appreciated, as the party had to leave Newcastle as early as 6.20 a.m.

Mr. Edmund Williams, the Vicar's son, kindly photographed the band who rang in the peal at the church door, and promised to have the photo placed below the peal board, which the Vicar has generously promised to have erected in the belfry to commemorate the first 5,000 on the bells.

The members of the Guild wish to place on record their warm appreciation of the kindness and interest of the Vicar in their visit, and also wish to thank the steeplekeeper, Mr. Wallace, for having the bells in good going order for the peal.

C. L. R.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

A general meeting of the Norwich and Ipswich Association was held at Aylsham on August Bank Holiday. By kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. Canon J. Gurney Hoare) the ring of ten bells at the Parish Church were open for the use of members throughout the day, as were also the ring of eight bells at the Parish Church of Marsham, by kind permission of the Rector (the Rev. C. H. Fitch).

Dinner was served at the Dog Hotel, the president (the Dean of Norwich) being in the chair, supported by Mr. C. E. Borrett (vice-president), Mr. G. P. Burton (Ringing Master), Messrs. G. H. Cross and T. Fitzjohn (district secretaries), Mr. A. L. Coleman (general secretary and treasurer), Mr. F. Knights, Miss V. Robinson (of Wokingham, Berks), Misses G. M. A. George, A. M. Durrant, H. L. Durrant (Norwich) and representatives from Aylsham, Fakenham, Hovingham, Marsham, Norwich, Reepham, and Thetford, etc.

The President gave all those present a hearty welcome, and said that the Vicar (the Rev. Canon J. Gurney Hoare) much regretted not being able to attend the dinner, but hoped to be at the general business meeting.

During the interval, before the commencement of the business proceedings, Messrs. F. and F. H. Knights very kindly gave some tunes on the handbells, which were much appreciated by the members.

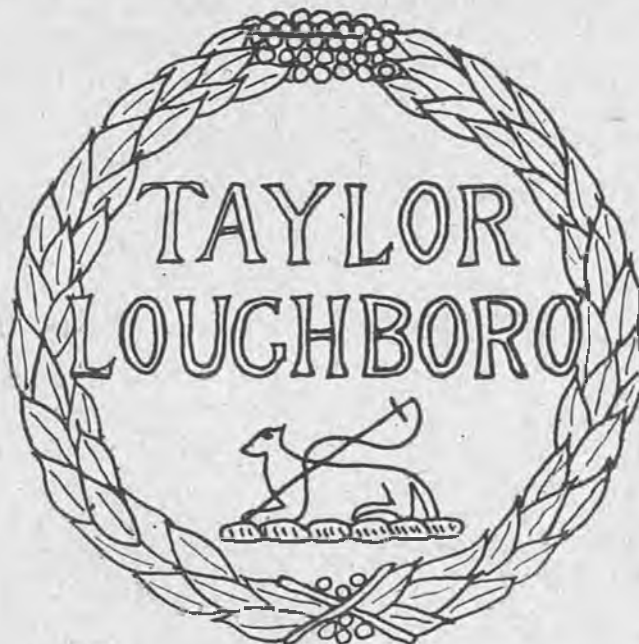
The following members were elected, viz.: Messrs. W. C. Pooley, G. Bussey, J. Warnes, E. Eldred, E. W. Fuller, J. Mickleburgh, A. Burrell, J. C. Dicken and W. H. Miller.

The President moved a vote of thanks to the Rev. Canon J. Gurney Hoare and the Rev. C. H. Fitch for placing their bells at the disposal of the members, and the motion was carried with acclamation.—Canon Hoare, in addressing the meeting, said it was a pleasure to him to receive the Association at Aylsham, and invited the members to visit and enjoy a rest in the Vicarage gardens.

Mr. G. P. Burton moved a vote of thanks to the Dean of Norwich for coming specially to preside, and this the president kindly acknowledged with pleasure and thanks.

This concluded the business and later other members arrived, including Mr. C. T. Coles, secretary of the Middlesex County Association, to whom the members gave a hearty welcome.

Many excellent touches were rung during the day in the standard methods. The ringing, too, was above the average of general meetings and a most successful and enjoyable meeting was passed. The total attendance of members was approximately 35. It was announced that the annual general meeting of the Association would be held at Ipswich on Wednesday, October 6th 1920.



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## BATH AND WELLS WAR MEMORIAL.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—I have read Mr Farley's letter, and whilst I do not wish to enter into any argument as to the conclusions arrived at by those attending the meeting at Minehead, yet I must at once point out to your correspondent that the actual time allowed for ringing at the Bath Abbey was decided by several local ringers after taking into consideration the then existing circumstances. I hasten to explain this in case your readers wrongfully attribute the limited ringing to the Rector of Bath. On application to him for the use of the bells, he at once granted them, telling me to see the tower master, but pointing out at the same time the reason why they should not be rung too long. However, it was left to my committee's judgment. The Rector of Bath is second to none in his wishes for promoting the association and has given up very many hours of his time for our benefit. In conclusion, we all regret that the Vicar of St. Cuthbert's should suffer because of the ban on Wells, yet, in spite of your correspondent's concluding remark I have confidence in the ability of both our Master and the Rector of Bath in approaching the Dean and Chapter of Wells in a proper manner, and that all the vital facts well explained to him.—Fred C. Rich, local secretary, Bath branch.

## BEDFORDSHIRE SECRETARY MARRIED.

On July 31st, at the Parish Church Sharnbrook, the wedding was solemnised between Miss M. A. Willoughby, of Sharnbrook, Beds and Mr. E. P. Duffield, hon. secretary for the Bedfordshire Association. Amongst the ringers present at the church were Miss E. Steel, Miss K. Jutson, Messrs. R. Richardson, A. H. Pulling, E. M. Atkins, J. Gayton, A. B. Peck, etc. Several touches were rung during the afternoon by the visitors and the local band, and, as recorded elsewhere, a peal of Minor was rung during the morning, and a peal of Bob Major on the handbells in the afternoon by Miss Jutson and Messrs. Pulling, Atkins and Richardson.

Afterwards, the visitors with the local band, were entertained by the bridegroom to an excellent meat tea at the Swan.—Mr. Pulling moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Duffield for his hospitality, and wished the bride and bridegroom every happiness.

## DEATH OF A VETERAN SUSSEX RINGER.

On July 23rd, after only a few days' illness there passed away at Chiddingfold, Sussex, James Brook, a veteran ringer of the Parish Church, at the age of 74 years. He had been ringing since the age of 15, and was one of the most regular and conscientious of the parish ringers. Although age was creeping upon him, he was ringing for service only ten days before his death, and within the last six months had taken part in his first quarter-peal. Nine of his sons fought for King and country in the great war, and he was a well known and greatly respected figure in the neighbourhood, having worked on one farm for over 40 years.

On the morning of Sunday, August 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1260 changes) with bells half-muffled, as a mark of affection and esteem, was brought round in 45 minutes by the following fellow ringers: C. Vine 1, W. H. White 2, Rev. C. H. Clarke 3, W. Jenner (Waldron) 4, A. Reed (Waldron) conductor 5, W. Ellis 6.

## 'SOLIHULL DOUBLES.'

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—At the risk of incurring severe censure from our method experts I beg to place before the Exercise the following method of Doubles which I constructed a year or two ago. Although the work is somewhat irregular, it consists of 'pure' Doubles throughout, and contains some interesting points, a marked feature being the peculiar work of the 2nd in the plain course.

12345	B
21435	14523
24153	15432
42513	
24531	
42351	S
24315	14523
42135	14532
41253	
14235	
12453	

The method was rung last year by the Solihull Handbell Band, and we wish to give it the above title.

The method is reversible, the two places being made when the Treble is in front in which case the 4th becomes the bell in the last in the plain course.

If the method is an old one, I shall be pleased to receive any information respecting its history. EDGAR C. SHEPHERD.

## MR. R. H. BARTRAM'S 100 PEALS.

By a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, at St. Mark's Church, Leicester (where his first peal was rung) Mr. R. H. Bartram brought his total of peals up to one hundred. The following is the list: Doubles, 3, conducted 3; Minor (including 3 in 7 methods) 12, 7; Plain Bob Triples, 2; Grandsire Triples, 24, 19; Bob Major (including 7,056), 6, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major 13; Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 12; Grandsire Caters, 5; Stedman Triples, 9; Stedman Caters, 9; Bob Royal, 2; Kent Treble Bob Royal 3; total 100, conducted 30. These peals have been rung in five counties and in 26 towers.



**DEATH OF MR. JOEL HERN.****A LOSS TO DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.**

It is with deep regret we have to announce the passing of the oldest ringer in the two northern dioceses, Mr. Joel Hern, of North Shields. He was an original member of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association, and served many years as one of its vice-presidents. Some years ago he celebrated his jubilee as a ringer, having started his career in 1867 in Norfolk, and with his brother, the late Mr. Johnson Hern, he joined the Parish Church band at North Shields in 1873. The leader of this band at the time was the late Mr. Wm. Reed, the first president of the Association, whom the writer often heard express the opinion that 'Joel' was the most elegant handler of a rope, and the finest striker he had ever had the privilege to ring with. The deceased rang in a great number of peals in a large diversity of methods, including London Surprise Major, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Royal and Major, Stedman Triples and Caters Double Norwich and Double Oxford Bob Major, Grandsire Caters and Triples, etc.

He was laid to rest in the churchyard at Preston, North Shields, but owing to the short notice of his interment few of the prominent ringers of the Association were present, much to their regret, as they would have counted it a high privilege to pay the last solemn tribute to so worthy a man and to such a sound ringer. However, a band was quickly got together to ring a muffled touch on the afternoon of the funeral.

The members of the Association feel his loss very keenly as leader of a band who not only promoted the best of ringing, put his heart and soul into the work, but kept the band together and in union by his own strong and genial personality.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****BANK HOLIDAY MEETING AT SOUTHGATE.**

On August Bank holiday, by kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. C. F. Poploe, M.A.), ringers were afforded the opportunity of a 'pull' on the renowned peal at Christ Church, Southgate, which have recently been augmented into ten by the gift of two trebles by the children of the late Mr. Arthur Rowland Barker, as a memorial to their father and mother. Despite the inclement weather, ringers from all parts (even as far distant as Grantham, Northampton and Beaconsfield) took full advantage of the opportunity thus given to them, and over 80 were present. Touches in various methods were rung during the afternoon, and all present spoke highly of the splendid 'splice' which Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have effected. Southgate may well be proud of its bells.

By the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. C. Barker, a sumptuous tea was partaken of at their residence 'Churchfields,' which was thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated by all.

Unfortunately ringing had to cease about 6 p.m., owing to a case of illness near the church, but the four hours during which the bells had been available was made good use of.

Evening was afterwards held in the church, when an excellent and most fitting address was given by the Rev. Professor R. de G. Hampson, who took his text from Ecclesiasticus, parts of 44, 1-15: 'Let us now praise . . . our fathers that begat us . . . such as did bear rule . . . leaders of the people by their counsels . . . Rich men furnished with ability living peaceably in their habitations . . . these were merciful men whose righteousness hath not been forgotten . . . Their seed shall stand fast, and their children for their sakes. Their bodies are buried in peace, but their name liveth for evermore. The people will tell of their wisdom, and the congregations will show forth their praise.'

At the business meeting, which was held in the tower, presided over by the president (Mr. Arthur T. King), one new member was elected and it was decided to hold a mid-week meeting on Thursday, August 26th at Finchley, if it were possible to arrange this.—Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to Mr. and Mrs. C. Barker for providing tea, and to all who helped to make the meeting so pleasant.

Various touches were rung on the handbells during the evening.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the Axbridge Deanery Branch was held at Cheddar on July 31st, 24 members being present, representing Burnham, Bristol, Cheddar, Ilminster, Midsummer Norton, Brent Knoll, Mark, Worle, Weston-super-Mare, Wells and Wear. Ringing commenced early in the afternoon, and service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. F. H. Wallis), who gave a very appropriate address. After tea at the Valley Restaurant, the business meeting was held. With the president (the Rev. M. I. Holme) in the chair, one new honorary member and two performing members were elected. East Brent was selected for the next meeting, to be held in about eight weeks' time.

The President proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for arranging the service, and for the use of the bells, which were kept going during the afternoon and evening to Grandsire Stedman and Plain Bob.

**PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.****A MEMORIAL BELL TO FALLEN MEMBERS.**

The annual meeting of the Peterborough and District Association was held at Peterborough on August Bank Holiday, among those present being the Rev. H. Law James, Messrs. F. Wilford, R. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Pulling, Miss Lumley, and Messrs. Moorhouse. The towers represented were March, Chatteris, Wisbech, Whittlesey, Fleet, Maxey, Deeping, etc. Owing to illness, only St. Mary's bells were available.

The Rev. H. L. James conducted the service and the Vicar (the Rev. A. C. Neely) gave the address. Afterwards, 50 sat down to tea in St. Mary's Schoolroom.

The president (the Dean of Peterborough) presided at the business meeting which followed, supported by the Rev. A. C. Neely (vice-president and treasurer).

A statement of accounts showed a balance of £6 10s. 10d. in hand.—The Secretary stated that 14 peals had been rung during the year, including one of Minor in ten spliced methods (the only one rung last year); also one of Grandsire Triples at St. John's, Peterborough, the only other previously recorded at this church being a peal of Grandsire Triples in March, 1773.

The whole of the officers were re-elected, with the addition of Mr. J. Pulett (March) and Mr. J. Barker (Peterborough) on the committee. Mr. J. Barker was also elected assistant secretary.

After a statement by the Dean with reference to the Cathedral bells, and the proposal to erect a tablet as a war memorial had been referred back to the committee, it was decided to raise a fund for a treble bell to a peal of ten or twelve, the names of the fallen members of the Association (seven in number) to be inscribed thereon.

The subscription was increased to 2s. 6d. 1s. 6d. of which is to be devoted to this fund. The profit on the tea, £1, was also voted for this purpose.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.****SUMMER MEETING AT BLYTH.**

The mid-summer meeting of the North Notts Association was held on Saturday at Blyth—an ideal place for a summer gathering. Blyth is three or four miles from the nearest railway station so a waggonette, a motor charabanc, the poor man's useful hack, the bicycle, or shank's pony has to be called into the service of the North Notts brethren when they meet there, and a very pleasant ride or drive it is from whichever point of the compass they come all the roads (either traversing a well-timbered undulating country until they converge upon the picturesque village. Standing on the banks of the River Ryton, embowered with noble beech trees and other fine timber, the village is grouped on either side of a remarkably wide main street, which opens out at one end into a well-shaded glen. At the other end stands the venerable church which, architecturally, is most interesting. Members and friends turned up for the meeting in good numbers, and the following towers were represented: Worksop, Gainsboro', Tuxford, Sutton-on-Lunt, Ordsall, Norton Cuckney and Blyth, and a number of interested ladies were also present. Ringing commenced about 4 p.m., and tea was provided at the Commercial Hotel. The chair was occupied by Mr. John Hind, in the unavoidable absence of the Vicar (the Rev. A. L. Phillips), and he was supported by the hon. secretary (Mr. H. Haigh), ex-Sergeant W. H. Johnson, V.C., and 30 others.

The Rev. G. E. Summers, Rector of West Retford, was elected vice-president, and the next meeting was arranged for Tuxford, in September.—Mr. Hind, in the absence of the Vicar, gave the association a very hearty welcome to Blyth and the members were enthusiastic in their praise of him and the hon. secretary for the splendid arrangements for tea and meeting.

Some very good touches were rung on the bells in Plain Bob, Kent and Stedman. The Worksop ringers early in the afternoon also rang at Harworth (by the kind permission of the Rev. F. D'Arblay Burney). This ring is considered to be one of the most musical peals of six in North Notts. The villagers took a keen delight in some well struck touches, and the bells were raised and lowered in peal in good style.

A pleasant drive home in the cool of the evening, after a gloriously fine day, formed an agreeable ending to a successful meeting. L. H.

**WORCESTERSHIRE RINGER'S DEATH.**

His many friends will be deeply sorry to hear that Mr. R. James, of Lye, passed away on July 29th, after a long and very painful illness, most patiently borne. Deceased was a member of the Worcestershire and Districts Association, and although he had not rung many peals, he always obliged and helped wherever he could.

The funeral took place on Tuesday, August 3rd, at the Lye Cemetery. At the same time at St. Thomas' Church, Stourbridge, 1344 of Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to the deceased by the following ringers: C. W. Cooper 1, J. Bass 2, T. Heathcock 3, W. Short 4, A. E. Whatmore 5, S. Grove 6, R. Mathews (conductor) 7, W. A. Pugh 8. The ringers came from Clent, Oldswinford, Stourbridge, Wollaston and Selly Oak.

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## ON PLEASURE BENT.

## RINGERS' EXCURSIONS.

The six-bell band at Leytonstone, Essex, usually accomplish a good day's work when they go for their annual outing, and this year's excursion was no exception to the rule. Leaving Liverpool Street at 5.53 a.m. they breakfasted at Audley End, started ringing at Wenden's Ambro at 8.45, and thereafter were busily engaged in scoring 720's of Minor for the greater part of the day in various towers with touches of Superlative and Treble Bob Major, and Stedman Triples thrown in at Sawston.

The day's touches included the following:—

WENDEN'S AMBRO (Essex).—720 Durham Surprise: H. Torble 1, W. Theobald 2, A. Prior 3, G. Dawson 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, J. Moule 6.

LITTLEBURY (Essex).—720 Ipswich Surprise: W. Riches 1, W. Theobald 2, T. Faulkner 3, G. Dawson 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, J. Moule 6.

ICKLETON (Cambs).—720 Lincoln Surprise: W. Theobald 1, H. Torble 2, A. Prior 3, G. Dawson 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, J. Moule 6.

WHITTLESFORD (Cambs).—720 Wells Surprise: W. Riches 1, G. L. Joyce 2, A. Prior (conductor) 3, W. Smith 4, W. Miller 5, J. Moule 6.

STAPLEFORD (Cambs).—720 London Surprise: T. Faulkner 1, W. Theobald 2, A. E. Austin (first in the method) 3, G. Dawson 4, W. Miller (conductor) 5, J. Moule 6. 720 York Surprise: H. Torble 1, G. Dawson 2, A. Prior 3, W. Miller (conductor) 4, J. Moule 5, A. Hardy 6.

SAWSTON.—448 Superlative Surprise: G. Hayden 1, H. Torble 2, T. Faulkner (conductor) 3, W. Miller 4, A. Prior 5, W. Theobald 6, J. Moule 7, A. Hardy 8; and touches of Stedman and Treble Bob, with some of the local men standing in.

The ringers wish to tender their thanks to the various incumbents for the use of the bells, also to all the local ringers who met them and made them so welcome, and especially to Mr. A. E. Austin, to whose assistance the splendid success of the outing was largely due.

Penwortham (St. Mary's) Society paid a visit to several towers to the north of Lancaster for their outing. Travelling by charabanc from Lancaster they moved swiftly through the fine country which skirts the coastland of Morecambe Bay, towards the village of Beetham, which was the first of the halts. Here the bells were raised, and while a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was in progress, the non-ringing members of the party found much to interest them in the quaint architecture of the church, the historic relics of the vestry, and the fine archway of roses, stretching half-way from the gate to the tower. Over the hill to Burton was the next step, and here also some good ringing took place, a 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor being added to the list; the fine roomy belfry and the good 'go' of the bells making it a specially attractive tower. A fine rolling country opened out before the party on leaving Burton, and the winding, switchback roads from there to Silverdale afforded much pleasure and made them keen to try conclusions with the bells of Silverdale. A 720 of Bob Minor resulted followed by a touch in conjunction with three of the local band. At Milnthorpe a meeting of the Furness and Lake District Branch was in progress, but owing to the great distances to be travelled in order to arrive at these meetings, only a few other ringers were met. However a further 720 (making one at every place visited), this time of Oxford Treble Bob Minor was successfully brought round, and after a final touch the bells were rung down and the party set off on the homeward journey. Thanks are due to all who so willingly offered the use of the various towers, and to those who had everything in readiness to give a great welcome to the visitors.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## BANK HOLIDAY GATHERING.

A most enjoyable day was spent by members and friends of the above who visited Hythe and Folkestone on August Bank Holiday. In spite of long queues at the booking offices and trains going before you could get a ticket, missing trains, flat tyres, loaded buses and other 'ills' that flesh is heir to, all turned up smiling and made the bells pay full compensation. The towers of Sellindge (6), Saltwood (6) and Hythe (8) were visited in the morning, and Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob Methods were rung.

A full complement was present at Folkestone in the afternoon, and after the local ringers had rung a well-struck touch for a wedding the visitors took the ropes and made full use of this fine peal of bells, all the four standard methods being enjoyed. Two ladies took part in the ringing, Miss Thomas ringing the treble to a touch of Grandsire Triples, and Miss Jarvis the third to a touch of Stedman Triples.

Two visitors, Mr. W. Dyer of Gloucester, and a 'brother string' from Hull, joined in during the day, and they also rung a quarter-peal for the Sunday evening service. There were also several experts from the Canterbury district, and the striking (on the whole) was very good throughout. Best thanks are due to Mr. Binfield, of the Folkestone tower; Mr. S. Gower, of Hythe, and Mr. Gower, of Saltwood for helping to make for the visitors a very happy day.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## THE STORY OF AN ANCIENT PEAL BOARD.

A meeting of the Northern Division of the Essex Association was held at Finchingfield, when 33 members were present from Sible Hedingham, Rayne, Dunmow, Black Notley, Braintree, Wethersfield, or Yeldham, Stedding, and Stisted. A short service was held in the Parish Church, the Vicar, the Rev. H. Jordan, officiating, and an excellent address being given by Mr. A. W. Ruggles-Brise, J.P., C.C. an honorary member of the Association.

Tea was served in the Schoolroom, and followed by a business meeting, at which Mr. H. F. Cooper, District Master, presided, supported by the Vicar and Mrs. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ruggles-Brise, Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the Association, the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, hon. secretary, and Mr. B. Redgwell, hon. district secretary.—The Rev. H. Jordan, Vicar of Finchingfield, and the Rev. D. B. Barclay, Vicar of Braintree, were elected honorary members. Messrs. P. French, T. Wollard, W. Dare, S. Chapman, R. Hardy, Finchingfield; J. Bloomfield, Wethersfield; and H. A. Pratt, Black Notley, were elected probationary members.

The Rev. H. T. W. Eyre proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the preacher for his address, remarking that it was the first time the ringers had been addressed in church by a layman.—The Master, in thanking the organist for his services, and the local ringers for making all the arrangements, expressed a wish that the restoration of the bells might be undertaken in the near future. In their present state it was quite impossible to ring the bells for any length of time. The bells, a very fine ring of eight in E flat, with a tenor of 19 cwt., were erected in 1781. They needed rehanging and quarter-turning. On account of the great need of restoration, it was very doubtful if the present generation had ever heard them at their best.—The Vicar and Mr. Brise responded.

The Vicar said they had an estimate for the work needed to restore the bells which amounted to a very considerable sum, but he hoped they might be able to raise the money at some not far distant date.

The Saffron Society on May 30th, 1825, rang 5,120 Oxford Treble Bob—the only peal ever rung upon Finchingfield bells—and erected a handsome board in the church recording it. When the church was restored the board was taken down and found its way into the Green Man Inn adjoining the church. A few years ago, Mr. E. Pitstow, a present member of the society, made arrangements with the owners of the inn for the board to be restored to its former position in the church, but before this could be carried out the inn was burned down, and the board was destroyed. Fortunately Mr. Pitstow took a copy of the record, which was read to the meeting by the Master.

The Vicar and churchwarden expressed their regret that the board should have been allowed to be taken from the church, and asked for copies of the record to be placed in the archives of the church.

Although the bells go very heavily indeed, several very fair touches of Grandsire Triples were brought round.

It has been recorded by more than one writer that Finchingfield is the prettiest village in Essex. The same might be said of the Vicarage garden and grounds, to which the ringers were invited and heartily welcomed by the Vicar and Mrs. Jordan, who, with their friends present, very much enjoyed the touches of Grandsire Triples and Caters, Treble Bob, etc., and tune ringing on the handbells by mixed bands.

## NORTH-EASTERN DIVISION.

A meeting of the North-Eastern Division was held at Great Horkesley, on Saturday, July 24th. Ringing commenced at Wormingford, on the recently restored and augmented peal of six bells, and afterwards at Little Horkesley, where some six-scores were rung on the five bells, and a touch of Triples upon the handbells. At Great Horkesley some good touches of Bob Minor and Treble Bob were brought round. At the business meeting which followed tea at the Rose and Crown Mr. W. J. Nevard, District Master, presided, supported by Mr. C. H. Howard, Braintree, Master of the Association; Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, Witham, secretary; Mr. H. T. Pye Colchester district secretary; and Mr. E. J. Nevard, churchwarden, Great Horkesley.—The last-named, in the absence of the Rector, gave the members a hearty welcome, and expressed his pleasure in once again meeting the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre amongst the members.—Mr. E. J. Nevard was unanimously elected an honorary member, and Messrs. G. Balls, E. Leggett and R. Leggett of Wormingford, ringing members.—Tollisbury was selected, if convenient, for the next meeting, and Mr. C. H. Howard congratulated the Vicar and churchwardens on the excellent condition of the church and bells, and the splendid manner in which the churchyard is kept.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the District Master for presiding, and also for his kindness in providing the tea. Afterwards the belfry was again visited and a well-struck 720 Kent Treble Bob was rung. Ringers were present from Langham, Great Bromly and Thorington.

BARTON-ON-HUMBER, Lincs.—On Sunday, August 1st, 720 Bob Minor, in 22 mins.: A. Davis 1, E. Dady (aged 75) 2, W. Gedddard 3, A. H. Hoodless 4, W. H. Hoyhoe 5, W. Ayro (conductor) 6.



## NOTICES.

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**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at the Parish Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, August 14th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, August 14th, at Mildenhall. Bells 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—R. Lathbury, Hon. District Sec., Newmarket.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Horwich on Saturday, August 14th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m. Nominations for President, General Secretary, and four representatives for Central Council.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Walton on Saturday, August 14th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6. Business: Nominations for President, General Secretary, Treasurer, four Central Council representatives, Branch Secretary and Committeeman.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Southwold District.—A meeting will be held at Southwold on Saturday, August 14th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. J. Naunton, Hon. District Sec.

**WHISTON, ROTHERHAM.**—The unveiling of a memorial peal tablet will take place on Saturday, August 14th, at 4.30 p.m., by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield. Bells available after the ceremony.

**LLANFAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Nicholas (Peterston Station) on Saturday, August 14th, at 4.30. Tea provided free.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Presteign and Leominster District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Kimbolton on Saturday, August 14th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at the Vicarage, 5.30. All ringers welcome.—A. Talbot, Hon. Dist. Sec., Staunton-on-Arrow, Pembroge.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Royston on Saturday, August 14th. Bells available at 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. R. Bacon, District Sec., West Hill, Hitchin.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Cogenhoe on Saturday, August 14th.—Bells ready at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. The bells at Whiston will also be available.—S. J. Lawrence, Dist. Sec., 7, Castilian Terrace, Northampton.

**NORTHFLEET, KENT.**—The dedication of the two new trebles, to make a ring of eight, will take place on Saturday, August 14th, by the Archdeacon of Rochester at 7 p.m. All ringers invited. Bells available after.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Hoylandswaine, near Penistone, on Saturday, August 14th. Bells available 4 and 9 p.m. Other meetings more central are to be arranged later.—C. D. Potter, Sec., Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on August 19th; Southwark Cathedral on the 17th; and \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 24th, all at 7.30 p.m.; also at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on August 15th, at 6 p.m. \* Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—Combined practice will be held on Thursday, August 19th, at St. Mary's, Putney, from 7 to 9 p.m. All ringers invited.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Borden on Saturday, August 21st. Bells available at 3. Short service at 5, conducted by the Vicar (Rev. Barrett). Tea at 6 at the "Maypole" Inn, followed by the business meeting. Tea will only be supplied to those who notify me by first post on Wednesday, August 18th.—Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. District Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A monthly meeting will be held at Coleshill on Saturday, August 21st. Bells (6) available from 3 o'clock.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at All Hallows, Tottenham, N., on Saturday, August 21st. Tower open for ringing from 3.30 till 7.30 p.m. Tea can be obtained near the church.—F. G. Symonds, Hon. District Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Leyland St. James on August 21st. Bells available from 3. Meeting at 5.30. Business: Election of Branch Sec. and nomination for President and General Sec.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Kildgrove on Saturday, August 21st. Please notify me on or before August 16th how many intend to be present from your Tower.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Hanley Castle on Saturday, August 21st. Service at 4 o'clock, business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea will be provided for only those who notify me by the Wednesday previous.—R. G. Knowles, Branch Sec., Madresfield, Malvern.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.



**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A quarterly meeting of the Central Division of the above was held at East Grinstead, forty members being present. After ringing during the afternoon a short service was held in church, the address being given by the Vicar (the Rev. W. W. Youard), who emphasised in his sermon that bells were placed in the towers to be rung for service.—The Vicar presided over the tea and meeting, supported by the Master (Mr. J. Thornton Rickman). Fifteen new members were elected, and Mr. Markwell, representing the Henfield branch, invited the association to Henfield on August Bank Holiday. This invitation was accepted, and particulars will be announced later in 'The Ringing World.'—Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for granting the use of the bells, for his address, and great kindness in providing tea for those attending the meeting; also to the organist for presiding at the organ.

It is expected to hold the next meeting of the division at Withyham, in September.

The methods rung throughout the day were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative, Cambridge, London and Bristol Surprise. The following towers were represented: Brighton (St. Peter's and St. Nicholas), Burgess Hill, Crawley, Cuckfield, Henfield, Lewes, Lindfield, Rotherfield, Seaford, Shoreham, the local branch, and independent members (including Mr. F. W. Richardson, London).

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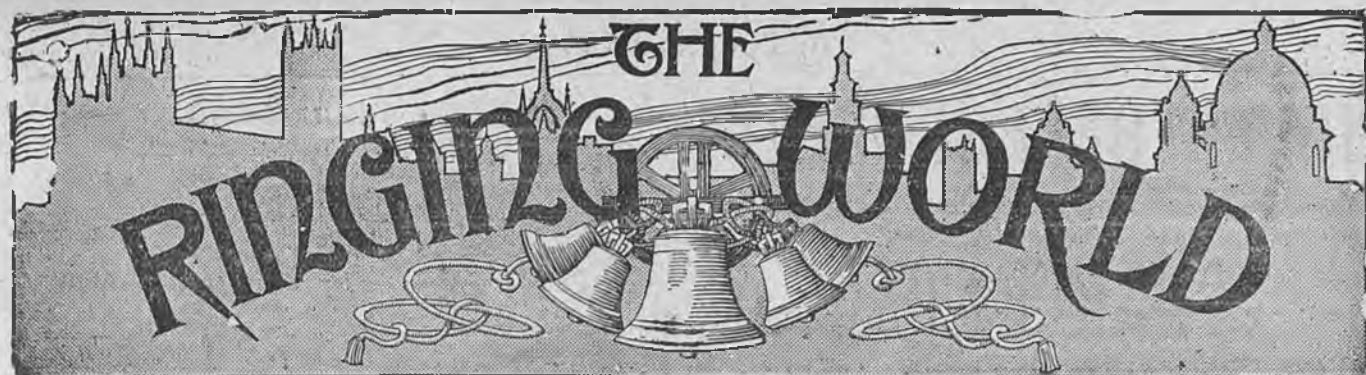
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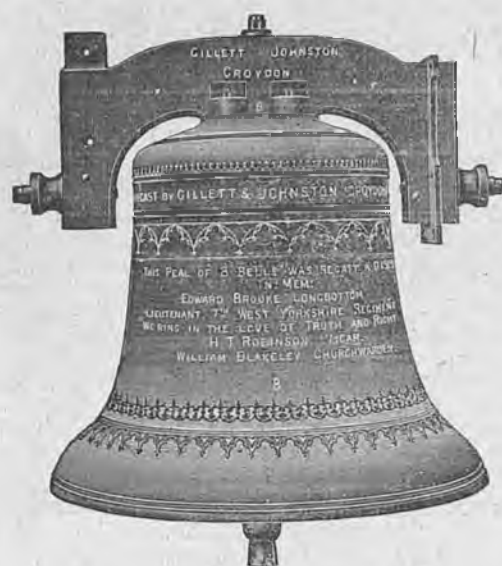
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### MOVING THE CLERGY.

In an interesting letter to the 'Diocesan Magazine' for the county of Suffolk, comprising the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, the Rev. Herbert Drake, of Ufford, at the request of the ringers of East Suffolk, very concisely puts forward the claims of change ringing for the consideration of those officially connected with the churches of that part of the county. He points out the ways in which a ringing association helps in Church work, and refers to the difficulties which have to be faced in instructing new hands where change ringing has never been practised, or where bands have been broken up owing to the war. It is a letter which, coming under the notice of responsible and thinking men, is likely to sow seeds which may bear much fruit in the future. It is the kind of propaganda work which promises excellent result among those whom it is of the greatest importance to interest, both in the art of ringing and in the welfare of the ringing organisations.

At their last meeting the Central Council decided upon the issue of a circular, on somewhat similar lines, to Bishops, Archdeacons, Rural Deans and Clergy, and it is gratifying to see localised effort made to support the general appeal which is being issued. A good deal of whatever neglect now exists in belfries can be attributed to ignorance and thoughtlessness, and if, throughout the country, after the Council's letter has gone out, the various associations will each get one of their practical ringing clergy to support it by an appeal such as has been made—in anticipation—by the Rev. H. Drake, the effort of the Council may have an even better result than a single general letter can be expected to achieve. But more than this, we hope Canon Baker's suggestion that the subject should be brought up for discussion at Ruridecanal conferences will be seriously taken up, for it is by this means best of all, if the matter be properly handled by men who know what they are talking about, that lasting results may be obtained.

Here is a very definite piece of propaganda work which the associations all over the country can take up. When the Council's circular gets into the hands of the clergy all over the country, as we understand it soon will do, the officials of the various associations should at once take steps to get the subject placed on the Ruridecanal Conference agenda papers throughout their respective areas, by the aid of their clerical members; they should ensure speakers in support of the subject and provide them, if necessary, with information. In this way they would be able to get 'right home' with the clergy, who are at present indifferent to the matter, and would awaken an interest which would probably be stirred less effectually in any other way.



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## TEN BELL PEAL.

BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM SHORT ... .. Treble	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
JOHN WITHERS ... .. 2	JOHN SMITH ... .. 7
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 3	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... 8
JOHN BASS ... .. 4	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 9
CHARLES DICKENS ... .. 5	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by W. SHORT.

This, the annual peal, is the first in the method for the Association and in the county, also by all the band, except Messrs. Dicken, Grove and Short. Messrs. Smith and Woodberry's first peal of Royal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE R. PYE ... .. Treble	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	REDBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 3	HARRY KILBY ... .. 7
WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF  
STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.  
On Saturday, July 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**  
GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. Treble	WALTER GRINSELL ... .. 5
ALFRED H. FLETCHER ... .. 2	SAMUEL BARKER ... .. 6
HARRY CRADDICK ... .. 3	WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 7
WILLIAM BAYLISS ... .. 4	ARTHUR GRAINGER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM FISHER.

\* First peal. Rung in honour of the marriage of Miss Rose May, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Price, of Coseley, to Mr. Walter, youngest son of Mr. and the late Mrs. John Harris, of Wolverhampton, late of Coseley.

CUBITT TOWN, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	GEORGE FLETCHER ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 7
CHARLES HARE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

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## KNEBWORTH, HERTS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM PYE ... .. Treble	HARRY FLANDERS ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	CHARLES HARE ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 7
*CECIL V. EBBERSON ... .. 4	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method.

## HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. 5
ARTHUR W. GRAVEIT ... .. 2	RICHARD STREDWICK ... .. 6
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
ERNEST GOWER ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY DAIN. Conducted by KEITH HART.

## DORE, DERBYSHIRE.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE  
SOCIETY.On Wednesday, August 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt. 0 qr. 24 lb.

SAM THOMAS ... .. Treble	† WILLIAM CHOWN ... .. 5
TOM O'HARA ... .. 2	† GEORGE M. THORPE ... .. 6
* WALTER STUBLEY ... .. 3	CHARLES HAYNES ... .. 7
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 4	WILLIAM BIGGIN ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

\* First peal. † First peal of Treble Bob.

## HESTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.On Wednesday, August 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 13¾ cwt.

EDWARD H. KING ... .. Treble	ALAN R. MACDONALD ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	GEORGE SPENCER ... .. 6
CHARLES S. BIRD ... .. 3	ARTHUR HARDING ... .. 7
WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 4	* THOMAS G. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Vicar, the  
Rev. F. W. A. Wilkinson.

## LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13¾ cwt.

CHARLES E. BORRETT ... .. Treble	DENISON HAYWARD ... .. 5
FREDERICK H. KNIGHTS ... .. 2	ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 6
FREDERICK KNIGHTS ... .. 3	GEORGE P. BURTON ... .. 7
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## BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION  
AND SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.On Friday, August 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

REV. R. F. WILKINSON ... Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 5
ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 2	THOMAS BETTISON ... .. 6
CHARLES MASON ... .. 3	ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... .. 7
WILLIAM LAMBERT ... .. 4	JOHN FLINT ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

## CRANBROOK, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

LUTHER HONESS ... .. Treble	TRAYTON BOOTH ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... .. 2	GEORGE BILLENNESS ... .. 6
* JOHN H. EDWARDS ... .. 3	THOMAS E. SONE ... .. 7
CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 4	OWEN HODGES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

\* Elected a member of the Association previous to starting.  
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## OLDSWINFORD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)On Saturday, August 7, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHORT ... .. Treble	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 5
ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. 2	JOHN SMITH ... .. 6
JOHN BASS ... .. 3	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... .. 7
JOHN WITHERS ... .. 4	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

First peal of Cambridge on the bells.

## OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.

HUBERT J. CHAFFEY ... Treble	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 5
* GLADYS E. BATEMAN ... .. 2	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 6
† ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 7
WILLIAM BURDEN ... .. 4	CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples. † First peal of Triples.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 2nd.

## CONDOVER, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, August 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 13 cwt. in F.

WALTER LAGO ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 5
* ROBERT EVANS ... .. 2	* DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 6
WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 3	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 7
BERT RIXOM ... .. 4	ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\* First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman on the bells. The  
band are also members of the Hereford Guild. The ringers of the  
treble, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and tenor hail from Holy Trinity, Coal-  
brookdale, 6th from St. Lawrence's, Ludlow, 7th from St. Chad's,  
Shrewsbury.

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM FLOYD ... .. Treble	JAMES FLOYD ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. NEWELL ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. SHEPHERD ... .. 6
OWEN W. BAYES ... .. 3	B. JARMAN ... .. 7
HENRY JARMAN ... .. 4	HARRY GOLDING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. NEWELL.

Ringers of the Treble and 5th were elected members of the Association.

UPPER BEEDING, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 10 lb.

BERT CHALLEN ... .. Treble	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 5
MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 2	R. CONGREVE-PRIDGON ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. HEWITT ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. CRIPPS ... .. 7
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 4	HENRY STALHAM ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by WILLIAM H. HEWITT.

\* First peal as Conductor.

MARSHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES**

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb.

* WILLIAM DUNCAN ... .. Treble	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 5
* MISS MAY DURRANT ... .. 2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 6
* GEORGE COOKE ... .. 3	* JAMES RAMPLEY ... .. 7
JOHN GODFREY ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal in the method.

SALLE, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM DUNCAN ... .. Treble	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 5
WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 2	CHARLES E. NEWLAND ... .. 6
* GEORGE COOKE ... .. 3	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 7
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed by E. C. GOBEY. Conducted by N. R. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

WOOTTON COURTNEY, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Comprising Stedman, Grandsire, and Plain Bob.

* H. J. ARSCOTT ... .. Treble	* F. C. ARSCOTT ... .. 4
* H. W. ARSCOTT ... .. 2	F. G. ARSCOTT ... .. 5
H. L. ARSCOTT ... .. 3	H. ROBERTS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. G. ARSCOTT.

First peal as Conductor. The peal was rung in honour of the election of the first five ringers, who are, brothers, into the Dunster Deanery Branch of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.

\* First peal and first attempt. First peal away from the treble for ringer of 3rd. Their success is mainly due to the kind instruction of Mr. Wm. Hoyle, of Minehead.

GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine and Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and two 720's each of Plain Bob and Oxford Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

CHARLES V. HARE ... .. Treble	GEORGE WOLFE ... .. 4
ERNEST W. DAY ... .. 2	GEORGE CROFT ... .. 5
HERBERT E. DAY ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. CROFT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. CROFT.

The ringer of the treble has now rung a 5000 on each bell in the tower.

BARTON-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

† HAROLD EASTOE ... .. Treble	† GEORGE W. BLANCHARD ... .. 4
ARTHUR H. HOODLESS ... .. 2	† WILLIAM H. HEYBOE ... .. 5
* ANYAN PEART ... .. 3	WALTER AYRE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal. † First peal in three methods. † First peal of Minor. First peal in three methods as Conductor. Rung in connection with the pageant commemorating the 1,251st anniversary of the dedication of Old St. Peter's Church. The ringers of 3 and 4 belong to the Bigby company. 5th to Grimsby (S. James'), treble and 2nd to the local band, and the Conductor to Gainsboro' Parish Church.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, August 3 and 4, 1920, in Two Hours and

Thirty-Four Minutes.

AT GLYN GARTH.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt. in D flat.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	OLIVE L. LUMLEY ... .. 7-8

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: JOHN W. MOORHOUSE.

This peal finished at 12.50 a.m. on August 4th. Rung in honour of the coming of age of Miss A. Dale, of Peterborough.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Wednesday, August 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes.

AT GLYN GARTH.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5010 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 12 in G.

† OLIVE L. LUMLEY ... .. 1-2	† GERALD MOORHOUSE ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	† MALCOLM MOORHOUSE ... .. 7-8

\* KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 9-10

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: JOHN W. MOORHOUSE. Witness: R. RICHARDSON.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal of Stedman.

BIRMINGHAM.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, August 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes.

IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 19 size in F.

GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 1-2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 5-6
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 3-4	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 7-8

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

Rung after meeting short for Caters.

### WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. BANK HOLIDAY MEETINGS.

The summer meeting of the Yorktown District of the Guild was held in the neighbourhood of Yateley on August Bank Holiday, under slightly damping conditions, but as change ringers enjoy shelter from the storm in pursuit of their calling the downpour did not dim the ardour of those who enjoyed the day out. Mr. G. Miles, the hon. secretary, was enabled to offer the ropes of five belfries in four counties (including a portion of the Oxford Diocesan Guild's area) for operations during the holiday, viz.: Yorktown, Hawley, Sandhurst, Finchampstead and Yateley, and some three dozen ringers joined in the practices representing Chertsey, Oatlands Park, Crawley, Slough, Finchampstead, Guildford, Sandhurst, Stoke Poges, Hawley, Leatherhead, Yateley, Old Windsor, Wokingham, Yorktown and Staines. The trusty cycle was the chief means of transport round the winding lanes of Berks and Hants, except where roads were covered with flood water, when 'fields and pastures new' were trodden. The standard methods were employed at each place, more or less successfully in order that everybody should have his or her spell at the tail end. Cambridge Minor at Sandhurst, and Superlative Surprise Major at Yateley, adding to the repertoire of achievement.

Service was held at Yateley Church at 4.30, conducted by the Vicar who gave an address and a welcome to all from the chancel steps. The Guild's form of service was used and the ladies manned half the octave in a touch beforehand. After tea, at the adjoining hotel, the business meeting was presided over by Mr. W. H. Fussell. The Ringing Master's report for the year was received with thanks as it contained reference to the Central Council meeting at Northampton, comments on the proposed increase of subscriptions for 1921, and the recent seven-method deal, the first in the district. The election of new members found two names to add, Miss Iris J. Fowler, of Oatlands, and Mr. Albert Goodall, of Yateley, and they were received into the fold with joy. Votes of thanks were accorded to the clergy and the foremen of the towers visited, and by a unanimous show of hands it was resolved that the favours shown to the Guild should not be allowed to die out, but that a letter of thanks be sent direct to each parish.

The Chairman closed the meeting by referring to the history of ringing in the Yorktown district, and the generous support given in the past by the Stillwell family. Mr. J. P. Stillwell, now in his 37th year, was too poorly to come out in such 'changeable' weather, but Miss A. E. Stillwell was present to kindly cheer them on in the good work.

Another hour's ringing was indulged in with a decent touch of Stedman Triples to finish with, Miss Stillwell taking part. The ancient Hampshire timbers of the campanile were at last left to their stately

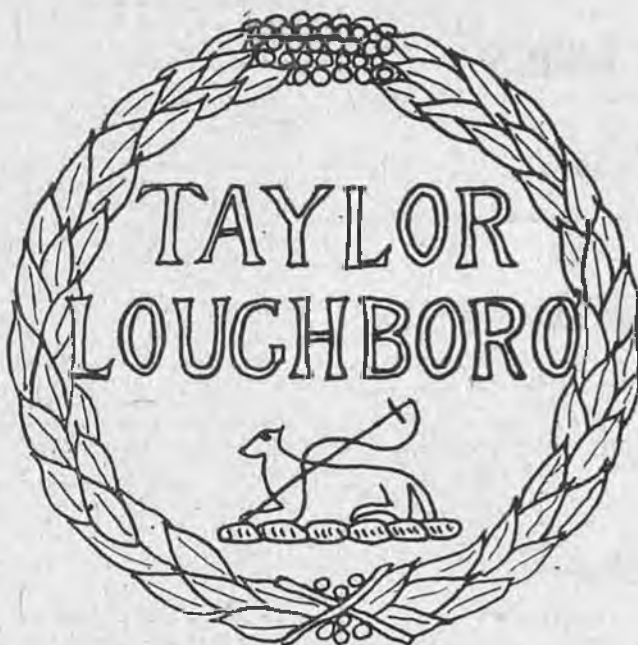
selves wondering who next was coming to try their strength and from where? Some of the visitors present had travelled over 20 miles to attend this 'gathering of the clans,' but the Miles from Owlmoor would be just too much for Bucks men. Everyone felt the district secretary had scored heavily against the clock of the weather. Surely the sound of the church bells must have warmed up some lonely bonighted heart amongst the drooping pines of Surrey on this occasion. Method ringers cannot 'bottle up' their Double Norwich or Treble Bob, and it is well to remember this.

### A 'SUMMER' OUTING AT RANMORE.

A gathering of the Guildford District of the Guild had been arranged to take place at Ranmore—a beautiful spot, with beautiful bells on the top of the Surrey hills. The meeting is best described in the following letters. The District Secretary (Mr. J. J. Jones) writes: 'After going through a perfect deluge I arrived at Ranmore, only to find Mr. Dobinson the tower keeper, in a disconsolate mood. We tried to cheer each other, but finally decided that no one would turn up, and we parted—he to let the bells down; I to catch the 'bus. I had got down the hill (two miles) when I heard the grand ring in full swing. If I had only known who was there, I should certainly have climbed back again, but the weather decided me to go on. The rest of the story is better told in the enclosed letter—from Greenwich:

Dear Sir.—I had hoped for the pleasure of meeting you yesterday. The notice of the meeting at Ranmore Common was too inviting to resist, but like Mr. E. F. Cole, of Hammersmith, who arrived there about noon a short time ahead of myself, it looked (at 2.30) as if 'no ringing' would have to be added to 'no service,' 'no business,' 'no speeches.' May I just detail the proceedings between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m., in case you get no other report? At 3 p.m., Mr. Cole and I were joined by Messrs. T. Beadle (Isleworth) and J. Waghorn (East Ham). A few minutes later up turned one of the Reigate band, and Mr. Thomson, of Ranmore. Then followed two 'brother strings' from Windsor. So we made a start with a well-struck touch of 280 Grandsire Triples. We were then reinforced by Messrs. F. C. Newman (West Ham), and A. Hardy and A. Faulkner (Barking) with two or three other Reigate men, and three lady ringers—two from Aldershot. Three courses of Grandsire with the ladies were rung, conducted by a Reigate man. Then 336 Stedman Triples conducted (as was the 280 Grandsire) by myself. Later, two courses of Kent Treble Bob, conducted by A. Hardy. A plain course of Grandsire concluded the ringing at 5 p.m. Despite the dismal weather, the little gathering was very successful, even though brief and I am gratified that I made the trip, and breasted the two-mile hill for the pleasure of listening to and ringing upon the grand ring at St. Barnabas Church.

FRED W. THORNTON.



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## LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

### ANOTHER PEAL OF EIGHT IN PROSPECT.

A quarterly meeting of the Llandaff Diocesan Association was held at St. Nicholas' on Saturday last, and proved a great success. The church contains five bells. It is on the main South Wales Road, between Cardiff and Cowbridge and is almost unique, inasmuch as there is to be seen in the chancel, fixed close to the roof, an old Sanctus bell.

The late running of the train accounted for several members putting in a late appearance, but they arrived just in time to join with the rest at tea, which had been very kindly provided by Miss Cory, a keen supporter of the church.

Afterwards, the business meeting was held, presided over by the Rector (the Rev. J. O. Olston), who by the way, has only been recently inducted to the parish, having been formerly in Ireland, and close to the grand peal of bells in Arklow.

The Chairman read a letter received from the Rector of Redwelly, thanking the association for sending the hon. sec. to give advice on the Redwelly bells. Since the visit the order has been placed with Messrs. Taylor to complete the octave by adding two trebles.

Mention was made that the tablet to be placed in the Cathedral to the Association's fallen ringers was nearing completion.

New members were elected from St. Athan, Bonvilstone, and the whole of the St. Nicholas' band, which numbers eleven.

It is hoped to hold the next meeting at Llangibby on Sept. 25th.—The usual vote of thanks terminated the meeting.

The bells of Bonvilstone were available for ringing, and several took advantage of the opportunity thus afforded. The weather was glorious, and a most enjoyable time was spent.

## THE LEICESTER CONTROVERSY.

To the Editor.

Sir,—My appreciation of your leader on six-bell towers, and subsequent defence of the five and six bell ringers of this district has branched off into a purely local matter, having no bearing on the subject whatever, and I, therefore, ask you kindly to publish my final reply to Mr. Dexter. He says no controversy would have been raised had I kept to my subject, but forgets the fact that he himself caused this by assuming himself an injured party, and taking upon himself the responsibility of the whole eight and ten bell towers when no names were mentioned. (There were four societies at the time stated, now reduced to three.)

Not knowing how to answer directly and to the point, he quibbles about 'my self-glory' and his 'modesty,' while his latest bluster about the troubles of Tom, Dick and Harry are amusing, but not very convincing, and only go to show how he is trying to wriggle out of an awkward position. All through, his letters have cast insulting remarks on my integrity and honour as a ringer, but I leave it to your readers who know me to judge as they think fit, and to the local societies to either condemn or uphold me.

I attended the last two meetings of the M.C.A. in the hope of seeing Mr. Dexter personally, and having this matter over before the members, but his absence from any activities beyond his own society makes this impossible. I reconcile my statement that it is a deliberate lie to say a first-class ringer stood out to allow me a privilege and his remark that they ring Surprise methods for Sunday services, thus: For years his society only rang Grandsire and Stedman, and on many occasions I have been asked to make up their bands for this. (I can give dates if necessary.) It is only during the last twelve months or so they have rung other methods for services, and that owing to the augmentation of their band by 'ready-made' ringers from other churches. My first letter clearly states 'before the war.'

Mr. Dexter still persists in stating (falsely as all local ringers know) his society made me what I am, so evidently I still belong there, not having had notice to the contrary. If his remarks on spiritualism, written with the consent of St. Martin's Society, are the best respect they can pay to those members who have passed away, and the general purport of his remarks, their thanks for services rendered, then I take this opportunity to ask them to erase my name from their records wherein they at one time were pleased to quote me as a member.

Finally, Mr. Dexter's last remark on two kinds of conductors fits his own case very well, for on his own showing he has to find a conductor, and a perusal of St. Martin's records shows he asks himself every time without fail. I prefer to belong to that class of ringer who will join in assisting a local band to score a peal of Doubles or Minor, with the same enthusiasm as in joining a first-class band on a peal of ten or twelve bells. The former is not beneath my dignity, nor the latter above my aspirations.

I refuse to say any more on this subject, either privately or through the press, but leave the matter entirely to the judgment of the local ringers as stated above. Apologising for again trespassing on your valuable space yours sincerely,

Leicester.

ERNEST MORRIS.



### MEMORIAL TO THE LATE REV. H. A. COCKEY. UNVEILING CEREMONY AT OLDLAND.

The memorial, erected by the ringers of this country, to the late Rev. H. A. Cockey, was unveiled at St. Anne's Church, Oldland, Bristol, on Saturday last. It consists of a tablet placed in the chancel of the church in connection with a handsome reredos recently erected by means of subscriptions from the parishioners, and to which the bell ringers also contributed in recognition of the late Vicar's practical interest in change ringing. The inscription on the tablet reads: 'The Bell Ringers of England contributed to this reredos erected in the memory of the late Herbert Adolphus Cockey, hon. treasurer and past master of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association of Change Ringers.' Prior to the service the following ringers from St. Stephen's, Bristol, rang a plain course of Grandsire Caters on handbells over the grave of the late Vicar, viz.: Messrs. H. T. Howell 1-2, A. Reeves 3-4, R. J. Wilkins 5-6, G. Condict, junr., 7-8, and C. Gordon 9-10.

At the service the officiating clergy were the Vicar of Oldland (Rev. S. R. Worters) and the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, Rector of Deane, Hants, hon. secretary of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, and late Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Association. Among those also attending were the Rev. M. E. Thorold, Vicar of SS. Philip and Jacob, Bristol, late Master; Mr. W. A. Cave, Master; H. Howell, chairman; F. K. Howell, treasurer; and E. Guise, secretary of the Gloucestershire and Bristol Association; and the ringers present included visitors from Wotton-under-Edge, Berkeley, Dursley, Stinchcombe and Thornbury.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies gave an address based on Hebrews xiii. 7 and 8, 'Whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to-day, and for ever.' He remarked that the late Vicar was one who worked in the parish with faith and zeal for many years, and one who it was a great privilege of his to be friends with ever since Oxford days. He knew how thorough he was, and he had the valuable quality of being very methodical and businesslike. He sat for many years on the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, and they knew how sound and valuable his advice was. They among whom he lived, particularly those who held offices in the church, must have known how true his (the speaker's) remarks were. The late Vicar also had a sense of humour. What a help it was if they could see the lighter side of things! Taking especially the religious quality, how steadfast he was in his faith! He was steadfast in friendship. They had known each other for forty years, and never once was there the slightest shadow between them. Steadfastness kept him going in faith and friendship until the last, and also kept him going in his work perhaps too long. He worked until his health failed, and he could work no longer. Referring to the form of the memorial, the reredos and beautifying of the altar, the speaker said nothing delighted the heart of the late Vicar more than to make the worship of God in church as beautiful and as reverent as he possibly could. The beautifying of the altar came at an opportune time because one great work the Church of England had before it was to get back the service of Holy Eucharist into its proper place, as it had been put in a secondary position. They could not render any service too beautiful, but at the same time they must not relegate the great and beautiful service to a secondary place.

Following the service about 100 visitors were entertained to tea in the Parish Hall, arranged by Mrs. Worters, Mrs. C. Willmott, and Mrs. W. Fudge, with many lady helpers.—The Vicar heartily welcomed the visitors, and read a letter from Mr. J. E. L. Cockey, of Sheffield, a change ringer and a cousin of the late Vicar, apologising for absence and referring to the great esteem in which the late Vicar was held. He was a man of God in the truest sense of the word, and would always be held in kindly remembrance by all change ringers. Canon Papillon, of St. Albans, Herts, also wrote apologising for absence, and referred to his association with the late Vicar as a bell ringer in Essex in 1884.

On the motion of Mr. W. A. Cave, seconded by Mr. R. J. Wilkins, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. C. D. P. Davies for attending. At the instance of Mr. Guise, seconded by Mr. F. Howell, the Vicar was thanked for the arrangements for the service and tea, and the Vicar made suitable acknowledgment. Selections on the handbells were given during the proceedings and ringing afterwards took place at Warmley Parish Church and St. Stephen's, Bristol.

### HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Northern District was held at Royston on Saturday last, when some 25 members and visiting ringers were present. Touches were rung upon the recently augmented peal of bells, and a service, very kindly arranged by the Vicar (who was unavoidably absent), was conducted by the Rev. W. H. Smith. After tea, at a neighbouring restaurant, the business meeting was held, the Rev. W. H. Smith being unanimously voted to the chair. Three new members were elected, and it was agreed to hold the next meeting at Hitchin in November.—Thanks were expressed to the Rev. W. H. Smith for presiding over the meeting and for conducting the service, to which he suitably replied; also to the Vicar for arranging for the service and for the use of the bells. The ringing embraced seven methods, ranging from Plain Bob to Double Norwich Major.

### RINGERS' EXCURSIONS. THROUGH DORSET BY MOTOR.

The motor charabanc is now the favourite means of touring the country for a ringers' outing, and the Wyke Regis band made a wide sweep of Dorsetshire, when they had their annual trip recently. The party, numbering 28, including the Rector, curate, churchwardens, and adult members of the choir, visited many of the beauty spots and historic places in the county and rang at no fewer than eight churches. At Sherborne the old city and abbey were inspected, but the first ringing was done at Charlton, Hornethorne, and the next at Milborne Port, where the visitors were met by the Guild Master (Major Hughes D'Aeth). The next call was at Kington Magna, the home of the genial hon. secretary of the Guild (the Rev. F. L. Edwards), who gave the party a hearty welcome, and rang in the Doubles on the five bells of his church. An illustration of his great love of bell music is the lovely sweet-toned peal of handbells, hung beside the organ (in the same pitch), and he gave the party an exhibition of tapping, accompanied by the organ, which was admired by all. Lunch and ringing at Gillingham was followed by a visit to Shaftesbury or Shaston, the ancient British Palladium. Shaston is in itself the city of a dream—vague imaginings of its castle, its three mints, its magnificent apsidal abbey, the chief glory of South Wessex, its twelve churches, its shrines, chantries, hospitals, mansions—all now ruthlessly swept away. Shaston was the burial-place of a king and a queen, of abbots and abbesses, saints and bishops, knights, squires. The bones of King Edward 'the Martyr,' carefully removed hither for holy preservation, brought Shaston a renown which made it the resort of pilgrims from every part of Europe. It has a unique position on the summit of a hill rising out of the deep alluvial vale of Blackmoor. The view from the top of the tower of Holy Trinity (on the six bells of which the party rang), over three counties of verdant pasture was grand. A Iwerne Minster, which once belonged to Shaftesbury, and which has the distinction of possessing the only stone spire in Dorset, with the exception of Steepleton and Trent, the visitors enjoyed ringing on the six bells before proceeding to Blandford, where tea was partaken of. Advantage was taken of this interval to thank the hon. secretary for the admirable arrangements he, with his committee, had made for the tour. From Blandford, the journey was resumed to Wimborne, and finally to Bere Regis, where ringing for the day was concluded at 9.30 p.m., Wyke Regis being reached at 11.15 p.m. after a most happy and enjoyable day.

### NUNEATON RINGERS' OUTING.

A most enjoyable time was spent by the Nuneaton Parish Church Society, when the members, together with their wives and several friends including Mr. A. Roberts, Ringing Master of the Warwickshire Guild, and Mr. H. Briggs of Stoney Stanton, journeyed to Ashby-de-la-Zouch by motor charabanc. A call was made at Netherseal, and the party were given a hearty welcome by the Rector (the Rev. H. E. Worthington), who had kindly granted permission for the bells to be rung. An hour's ringing was indulged in, and touches of Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise were brought round. After expressing their thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells the party proceeded to Overseal, where several touches in various methods were rung. Tea had been arranged in the schools by Mr. A. Jackson and the local ringers, and the wants of the company were attended to by Mrs. Jackson and several other ladies, to whom at the conclusion a hearty vote of thanks was passed for the substantial meal provided.—A vote of thanks was also accorded to the Rector for use of the bells, and to the local ringers for the splendid arrangements made and the welcome they had given. After a few more touches on the delightful peal a move was made for the historic town of Ashby-de-la-Zouch, where touches of Double Norwich and Stedman Triples with members of the local band, were again brought round concluding with a course of Cambridge Surprise. A pleasant hour was spent with the local ringers, to whom thanks were expressed for meeting the party. The day's enjoyment of the ringers and their friends was made complete by the hearty welcome given by the incumbents at the places visited, and the arrangements and hospitality afforded by the local bands.

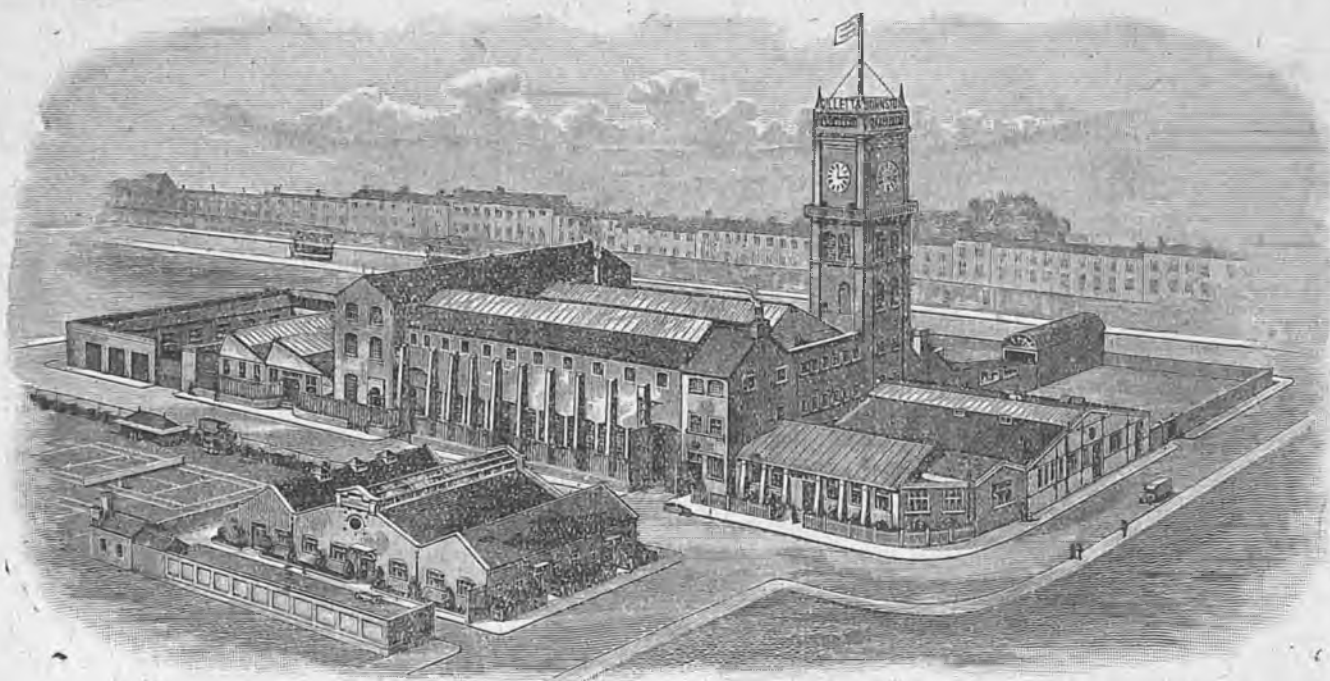
### A VISIT TO THE ISLAND.

The North Stoneham ringers spent their outing by a visit to the Isle of Wight, travelling by boat from Southampton Pier to Cowes, and en route obtaining a good view of the 'Imperator' and the 'Mauritania,' both of which mammoth ships were in Southampton Docks. Another interesting craft was the large steam yacht lying off Cowes, which the ex-Kaiser had built while the war was in progress at a cost of over £4,000,000 to enable him to cruise round the world after the Germans had won the war. This ship has just returned from a voyage to India for the P. and O. Company. A short journey on the wonderful Isle of Wight Central Railway brought the party to Newport. A visit was first made to Carisbrooke Church, about a mile distant. The eight bells there are unringable at present, several being cracked, but it is satisfactory to know that a fund is being raised for

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THE CROYDON  
BELL FOUNDRY  
1920.

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the restoration of the peal, and a fete to be held at Carisbrooke Castle shortly, to be opened by H.R.H. Princess Beatrice, is expected to realise a good sum towards the project. The bells have been inspected by the bell hangers, and it is hoped the job will soon be put in hand. The peal boards on the walls of the belfry show that a flourishing ringing society existed at Newport and Carisbrooke about the year 1777.

Mr. Upton, of the Newport band, had kindly made arrangements for dinner, and had also got permission from the Vicar (the Rev. C. H. Thompson) for ringing on the eight bells of the Parish Church at Newport, which, however, was limited to one hour, as the church is situated in the business part of the town.

Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung, Messrs. Upton, Calloway Phillips and Scammel, of Newport, taking part. Then followed a visit to Godshill, which is a pretty village about 5½ miles from Newport. The Vicar (the Rev. Bartlett) readily gave permission for ringing and the bells were found to be a musical ring of six. Tea was provided by one of the inhabitants, who acted as guide. As there was no convenient train back to Cowes from Godshill the party had to go on foot to Morston Junction, but the walk was much enjoyed, in spite of the two long Isle of Wight miles, the scenery by the way being much admired. Cowes was reached in time to catch the 7.35 p.m. boat, and another pleasant water trip brought the party safely back to Southampton, after having spent a most enjoyable day.

#### WYCOMBE RINGERS' TRIP.

The annual outing of the High Wycombe ringers was held on Wednesday week. The ringers were accompanied by wives and children, and the Vicar, who motored with the party, kindly conveyed a passenger in his sidecar. The remainder journeyed by charabanc. Watlington was the first stop and the bells were soon set going. After several good touches, Wallingford was next visited, and here some good ringing was indulged in. Dinner was partaken of in *al fresco* fashion; and this part of the programme was also enjoyed. Dorchester Abbey and church were next visited. Owing to illness, no ringing could be done here, but a stroll round this famous historic building proved very interesting. Abingdon was the next call, and on arrival the ten bells were soon in motion. After a well-struck touch of Stedman Caters the party adjourned for tea, and ringing was then again resumed. Treble Bob, Stedman and Grandsire Caters being brought round. Dusk beginning to fall, a move was made for home, the party safely reaching Wycombe just before ten o'clock, the party having had a most successful day's outing.

#### KENT AUGMENTATIONS.

##### NORTHFLEET WAR BELLS DEDICATED

On Saturday evening last, the two new trebles at Northfleet, Kent, were dedicated by the Ven. Archdeacon of Rochester. These two bells have been given as a war memorial by the inhabitants, and the inscriptions are as follows:—

Treble.—Given by the people of Northfleet in memory of the men of this parish who gave their lives in the Great War, 1914-1918.

2nd.—Presented by the people of Northfleet in commemoration of the Declaration of Peace, 1919.

The old six bells have been restored and quarter turned and rehung in the fine old oak frame which was erected in 1757, and now make an excellent peal of eight with a tenor of 15 cwt. This work was entrusted to Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, this being his 25th restoration in the county of Kent, and the ringers present at the opening were unanimous in the opinion that he had not made a better 'splice' as the tone and 'go' were all that could be desired. Mr. Bowell was unfortunately unable to be present to receive the ringers' congratulations.

The church was well filled when the service of dedication took place, and during the singing of the opening hymn 'Now at length our bells are mounted,' the choir and archdeacon, who was supported by five clergymen of the district, proceeded to the western door. The dedicatory prayer having been said, a few rounds were rung by the local ringers.—The Archdeacon in his address, congratulated the people of Northfleet on their splendid memorial, and reminded them that the sound of the bells was a call to service. The service concluded with the hymn, 'Now thank we all our God,' and a collection in aid of the Bell Fund realised over £4.

The bells were afterwards kept ringing until 9.30 in various methods, and in addition to the local band, Rochester district was represented by the secretary and representatives, and members from Swanscombe, Gravesend, Milton and Rochester Towers, Lewisham District was represented by Mr. T. Groombridge, secretary, and Mr. J. Barnett. All were heartily pleased to see Mr. John Cheeseman at the ropes again, and congratulated him on his recovery.

Rochester District ringers are fortunate in the bell restorations taking place in their midst. Hulling and Northfleet have been added to and restored. The 'Victoria' peal at Chatham has been rehung, and visitors will now find the 'go' perfect. Rochester Cathedral are

in the hands of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, and it is hoped before long the district will have its first peal of ten ready for ringing in the old Cathedral. The five at Frindsbury are to be augmented into a peal of eight, and the five at Stockbury are to be rehung. The order for the two latter rings are in the hands of Mr. A. Bowell.

#### CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

##### PEAL BOOKING FEES.

A fine afternoon brought over 40 members and friends to the quarterly meeting of the Northampton District held at Cogenhoe on Saturday last. The very fine ring of six was kept going in several methods during the afternoon. Evensong was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Stebbings), after which tea was served in the school-room, ably prepared by the ringers' wives, and enjoyed by everyone. The Vicar gave the ringers a hearty welcome to Cogenhoe, and a business meeting which followed was presided over by the vice-president, the Rev. — Friend, of Collingtree (who, by the way, was the previous Vicar of Cogenhoe, and was the means of getting the old three bells made into a peal of six). Seven new members were elected.

Mr. Law brought up the question of the fee for booking peals. He thought the fee should still be collected, and should go towards the cost of printing peals in the Annual report.—The Secretary promised to bring the question up at the next committee meeting.

Afterwards several members cycled to Whiston, about a mile away, and made use of the bells there, which were placed at their disposal during the day.

#### A KENT VICTORY PEAL.

##### DEDICATION OF PEAL BOARD.

On Sunday morning, July 11th, an interesting ceremony took place at Shorne, Kent, during the morning service, when a board recording a peal of Minor, rung for the peace celebrations at the termination of the war was unveiled and dedicated in the Parish Church by the Vicar (the Rev. C. E. Marsh, M.A.). The peal recorded on the board was in six methods, and the second to be rung on that day by the Milton-next-Gravesend band. To commemorate the ringing of the peal at his birth-place, Mr. John Avis, one of the ringers, very kindly provided the permanent record, which is a valuable addition to the ringing chamber. Midway through the service, the Vicar proceeded to the ringing chamber, where he was met by the ringers and Mrs. Baker, wife of the churchwarden, who graciously performed the unveiling ceremony. The dedication prayer used was a translation from the Latin of the sixth century. After the prayers and a few rounds on the bells the Vicar took for his sermon the words from Zechariah xiv, 20, 'And there shall be upon the bells on the horses, Holiness unto the Lord.' He likened the horses unto war, and the bells to peace, and in congratulating the ringers upon their 'peace after victory' peal, urged upon them to follow the motto that had enabled them to be victorious in the war—not 'go—but 'come.' Some ringers after ringing thought they had done their part, but he wanted their motto to be 'Come with me'—bring people to church and then go themselves. A very impressive service finished with the hymn, 'Now thank we all our God.'

Previous to the service, the Milton ringers rang 720 Cambridge Surprise on the bells: John Avis 1, H. Argent 2, G. A. Jones 3, G. R. Ambrose 4, F. Hayes 5, F. Mitchell (conductor) 6. A 720 Kent Treble Bob was also rung, in which C. Winsor (Frindsbury) and two of Mr. A. Bowell's employees, together with G. Barden, one of the local ringers (who thus scored his first of Treble Bob), with F. Mitchell (conductor), and G. Morrad, took part.

A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. J. Avis for providing the board.

Those who were in no hurry spent a pleasant half hour while Mr. Avis piloted the party round some of his old haunts of nearly sixty years ago. The cottage where he was born and the holly tree planted by him as a boy show signs of age. 'The place where I smoked my first pipe' was pointed out, and the consequent result was dramatically told.—In proposing the health of Mr. Avis, the leader of the Milton band expressed the hope that his connection with the Milton tower, which had been upwards of 30 years, would still last on, and that he would enjoy good health for many years to come.

The performance of the Cambridge University Guild on May 19th in ringing on handbells the first peal of spliced Major Methods is worth more than passing notice. This was a composition combining Plain and Little Bob, ingeniously arranged by Mr. E. M. Atkins, the first 117 courses each consisting of a lead of Plain Bob followed by a lead of Little Bob and another lead of Plain Bob. The requisite number of changes was made up of three full courses of Plain Bob the whole peal being 5016 changes. And, when one comes to think about it, the ringing of such a peal is not quite as easy as may at first sight appear.



## NOTICES.

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THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading will in future be at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division. Scarborough-Pickering Branch.—The next monthly united practice meeting will be held at Scarborough on Saturday, August 21st. Bells from 2 p.m. Ringers visiting the town cordially welcome.—H. Ferguson, Ringing Master.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Barton-in-Fabis on Saturday, August 21st. Bells ready 2.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—Thos. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Borden on Saturday, August 21st. Bells available at 3. Short service at 5, conducted by the Vicar (Rev. Barrett). Tea at 6 at the "Maypole" Inn, followed by the business meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. District Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A monthly meeting will be held at Coleshill on Saturday, August 21st. Bells (6) available from 3 o'clock.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at All Hallows, Tottenham, N., on Saturday, August 21st. Tower open for ringing from 3.30 till 7.30 p.m. Tea can be obtained near the church.—F. G. Symonds, Hon. District Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Leyland St. James on August 21st. Bells available from 3. Meeting at 5.30. Business: Election of Branch Sec. and nomination for President and General Sec.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Kidsgrove on Saturday, August 21st.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Hanley Castle on Saturday, August 21st. Service at 4 o'clock, business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available.—R. G. Knowles, Branch Sec., Madresfield, Malvern.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—A meeting for practice will be held at St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on August 24th, at 7.30 p.m.

Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A mid-week meeting will be held at Finchley on Thursday, August 26th. Bells available from 7 to 9.30; short business meeting to follow.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James', Birch-in-Rusholme, on Saturday, August 28th. Bells available 3.30. Meeting at 7 p.m.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—A meeting will be held at Idle on Saturday, August 28th. Bells available from 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch. The next meeting will be held at Warburton on Saturday, August 28th.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, estab. 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Sept. 4th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—A Quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Kingswinford, Staffs, on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, which will be conducted by the Rev. A. H. Messiter (Vicar). Tea will be provided.—Herbert Sheppard, 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A district meeting will be held at Foxearth on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Short service, with address by Rev. H. S. Carpenter, at 4.30, followed by tea at the Club room, 1s. 3d. per head. Members please notify their intention to be present not later than August 31st to H. F. Cooper, District Master, 'Red Lion,' Stisted, near Braintree.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 4th, at St. Mark's, Glodwick. Bells ready at 3. Business meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is requested.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at Tamworth on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available at 3. Service in Church at 5.14, with an address by the Rev. K. G. Rosher, Vicar. Tea will be provided at 6. Please send word by Tuesday, August 31st. Reports will be distributed.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday, Sept. 4th.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Ipswich District.—A meeting will be held at Hadleigh on Saturday, Sept. 4th. By kind permission of Dean Carter,



the bells will be available from 2 p.m. All ringers welcome (especially those in the Sudbury Archdeaconry). Arrangements are being made for tea at a reasonable price. Will those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than August 29th?—E. Evans, 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Chesterfield on Saturday, Sept. 18th. See later notices.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**CHURCH CONGRESS, SOUTHEND-ON-SEA,** October 19th to 22nd.—Will ringers attending the above write to W. H. Judd, 2, Chelmsford Avenue, who will arrange ringing at St. Mary's, Prittlewell, 10 bell tower, tenor 18½ cwt.? Anything from Plain Bob to manslaughter.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—H. E. Norman, Hon. Sec. Leicester District Midland Counties Association, has removed to 4, Berners Street, Leicester.

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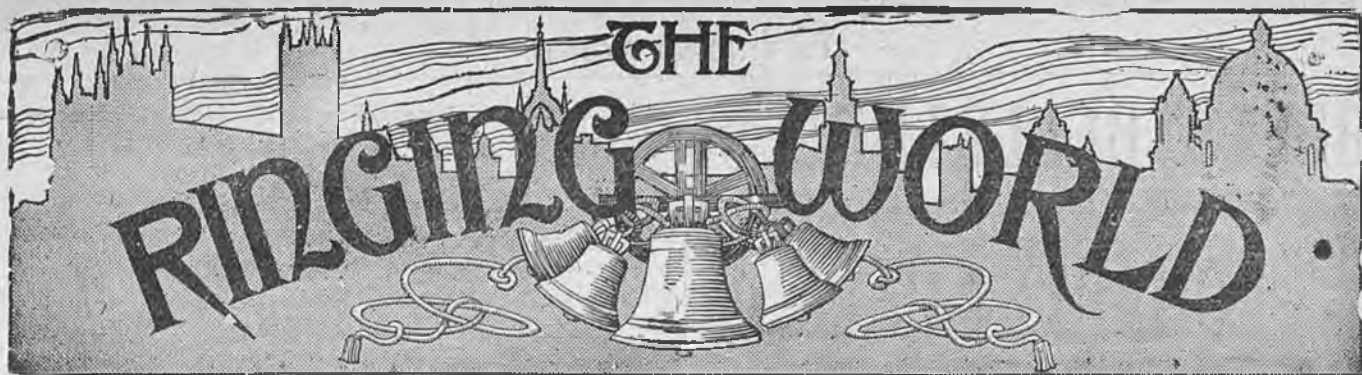
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## ENCOURAGING YOUNG CONDUCTORS

The letter of a correspondent in another column reopens a question which has been referred to more than once in this journal, viz., the lack of encouragement given to would-be conductors. There are very many instances to be found in which, from motives sometimes of jealousy sometimes of selfishness, men who might develop into first-class conductors are given no chance to cultivate any talent they may have in this direction. They happen to be associated with a man who, having got into the position of authority in the belfry, is determined to maintain himself as the bob caller, to the exclusion of all others. This is always a misfortune, and, in the interests of ringing, a barrier to progress. It is, however, always difficult to get a selfish man to take a broad view, otherwise the gentlemen who look upon conducting as their exclusive prerogative would realise that, instead of adding lustre to the Exercise at the moment, they are doing the future of the art a great disservice. The sudden departure of a conductor of this type has often left an otherwise promising band greatly handicapped.

At the same time it must not be forgotten that the appointment in a tower of a man whose duty it is to organise ringing, and to see that the best use is made both of the material at his disposal and of the bells themselves, is essential to efficiency. Usually the conductor of a band is elected by his fellows and has their confidence, and if he loses this confidence by his arbitrary action in monopolising that which his colleagues feel should be shared, they generally have the remedy in their own hands, for ringing societies, whether local or otherwise, are set up in these days on a democratic basis. If a conductor is jealous or selfish he should be plainly told that he is standing in the way of the progress of others, and asked to provide the opportunities that are desired for other members of his band. If, then, he still refuses, the first legitimate opportunity of removing him from his position should be taken, although we doubt if any man would decline to acquiesce in suggestions tactfully made.

But while it should be the ambition of every man to reach to highest achievements in the art, it must not be forgotten that all men are not capable of developing into conductors. Many are bob callers, but real conducting is to a large extent a gift, and if a band is intent on making progress with their ringing and of going from method to method, they will be content to leave the conducting for the time in the hands of their most capable member. It is the surest way of progress, provided one safeguard is taken, and that is that the conductor has an understudy. The best solution of the difficulty, after all, is the creation of a brotherly spirit which leads to co-operation and mutual advancement, and without which any band must be a thing of disintegrated units.

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THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

IN THE CRICKET FIELD.

On Saturday, August 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Size 18 in G.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON...	... 1—2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ...	... 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ...	... 3—4	GEORGE W. STEERE ...	... 7—8

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.  
Umpire: WALTER AYRE.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**

AT GLYN GARTH,

On Saturday, August 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Size 13½ in E flat.

GEORGE W. STEERE ...	... 1—2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ...	... 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ...	... 3—4	WALTER AYRE ...	... 7—8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sunday, August 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,

IN A ROWING BOAT ON THE RIVER GLEN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Size 13½ in E flat.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON...	... 1—2	*WALTER AYRE ...	... 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ...	... 3—4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ...	... 7—8

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.  
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Umpire: GEORGE W. STEERE.

\* First peal of Major in hand.

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On Monday, August 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

ON THE FUSELAGE OF A HANDLEY-PAGE.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Size 13½ in E flat

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON...	... 1—2	FLIGHT-SGT. F. A. HOLDEN	5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ...	... 3—4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ...	... 7—8

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.  
Umpire: WALTER AYRE. Witness: GEO. W. STEERE.

**SURFLEET, Lincs.  
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On Tuesday, August 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE VICARAGE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;**

Size 15 in C.

*KATHLEEN A. JUTSON...	... 1—2	REV. E. BANKES-JAMES ...	... 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ...	... 3—4	WALTER AYRE ...	... 7—8
		GEORGE W. STEERE...	... 9—10

Composed by JOHN ROGERS. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.  
Umpire: Rev. H. LAW JAMES.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters in hand and first attempt.



SURFLEET, LINES.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, August 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT GLYN GARTH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

Size 15 in C.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON... .. 1—2	WALTER AYRE ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3—4	ROBERT RICHARDSON ... .. 7—8
GEORGE W. STEERE... .. 9—10	

Composed by JOHN ROGERS. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Witnesses: Miss RICHARDSON and MRS. GLENN.

The conductor's 300th peal in hand.

SURFLEET, LINES.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Wednesday, August 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
IN A CORNFELD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Size 12 in F.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON... .. 1—2	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 5—6
WALTER AYRE ... .. 3—4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7—8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire: RUPERT RICHARDSON (College Youth).

Miss Jutson was proposed a member previous to the peal.

SURFLEET, LINES.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, August 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
IN THE BDLB SHED,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Size 17 in A.

*GEORGE W. STEERE... .. 1—2	WALTER AYRE ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING... .. 3—4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 7—8

Composed by ARTHUR T. KING.

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal on 1—2. First peal in hand as conductor.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, August 12, 1920, in Three Hours,  
IN ST. MARY'S SCHOOLROOM,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Size 17 in A.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON... .. 1—2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3—4	WALTER AYRE ... .. 7—8

GEORGE W. STEERE... .. 9—10

Composed by HENRY J. TUCKER.

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: JOHN J. JUTSON.

First peal of Royal in hand by all except 7—8. First peal of Royal in hand for the Guild. Rupert Richardson's 50th peal in hand.

SURFLEET, LINES.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Sunday, August 15, 1920, in Three Hours,  
ON THE LAWN AT GLEN GARTH,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Size 16 in B.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON... .. 1—2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3—4	WALTER AYRE ... .. 7—8
GEORGE W. STEERE... .. 9—10	

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: Miss E. SEYMOUR.

TEN BELL PEAL.

WALTHAMSTOW.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. Treble	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. 8
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 9
WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung as a compliment to A. T. King, Esq., I.S.C., President of the above Association, and Mrs. King, on their Golden Wedding, and also as a birthday compliment to the conductor on the completion of his 50th year.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN SPENCER ... .. Treble	ERNEST LINCOLN... .. 5
ALFRED WATSON... .. 2	WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... .. 6
EDWARD CHATTON ... .. 3	CHARLES F. WOODS ... .. 7
GEORGE GREENACRE ... .. 4	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 9, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THUNSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 25½ cwt.

*KEITH SALTER ... .. Treble	JOHN CAPP ... .. 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW... .. 6
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 3	KEITH HART... .. 7
CHARLES PALMER ... .. 4	BENJAMIN BASSETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

\* First peal of Stedman. Messrs. Salter (father and son) are from Kidderminster.

HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, August 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S No. 35.

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

JOHN WITHERS ... .. Treble	JOHN EATON... .. 5
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT... .. 2	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 6
GEORGE PIGOTT ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
HARRY GROSVENOR ... .. 4	HARRY PARKES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Harry Grosvenor.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOHN OLDHAM ... .. Treble	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 5
WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 2	JOHN W. JONES ... .. 6
HARRY WHITTLE ... .. 3	EDWARD READER ... .. 7
ERNEST CARTWRIGHT ... .. 4	WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD READER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Oldham and Mr. J. Powell, of All Saints' Society, Loughborough. J. W. Jones hails from Newport, Mon., H. Whittle from Stanford-on-Soar, Notts, and H. Broughton from St. Martin's, Leicester.

SELBY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

E. MORRIS'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.  
Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

GEORGE FENTON ... .. Treble	ALBERT E. SELLERS ... .. 5
ERNEST STORR ... .. 2	WILLIAM HINTON ... .. 6
HORACE S. MORLEY ... .. 3	HENRY FAIRLAM ... .. 7
FREDERICK CRYER ... .. 4	GEORGE RIPPON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY FAIRLAM.

The ringer of the 5th hails from Beverley, remainder belong to Selby.

LUTTERWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE WYCLIFFE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... .. Treble	THOMAS H. VALLANCE ... .. 5
*FRED WILFORD ... .. 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 6
†HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 3	†JOSEPH B. FENTON ... .. 7
WALTER MALINS ... .. 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRED. H. DEXTER.

† First peal in the method. \* First in the method on a bob bell. First in the method on the bells. The conductor's 100th peal. The ringer of the treble hails from Stoney Stanton; 2nd from Northampton; 4th and 7th Rugby, and the remainder from Leicester.

ELLESMERE, SALOP.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

ALFRED LEA, SENR. ... .. Treble	†R. D. LANGFORD, JUNR. ... .. 5
*ALFRED LEA, JUNR. ... .. 2	†WILLIAM JONES ... .. 6
HARRY MOORE, JUNR. ... .. 3	RICHARD T. HOLDING ... .. 7
HARRY F. HOLDING ... .. 4	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. First peal of Major on the bells. 1, 2, 3, 6 hail from Wrexham, 4, 5, 7 from Crewe, tenor from Shrewsbury. The peal was arranged for Mr. W. Jones, verger of Wrexham Parish Church.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.  
Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

JONATHAN PRESTON ... .. Treble	GEORGE CHAPLIN ... .. 5
*EDWARD REEVES ... .. 2	JAMES PRATT ... .. 6
GEORGE F. GARRISON ... .. 3	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 7
CHARLES CHAPMAN ... .. 4	HERBERT C. SPENCER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

\* First peal. Rung to celebrate the 21st anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. Preston, of Erdington.

SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES

Tenor 15 cwt.

THOMAS B. KENDALL ... .. Treble	*HERBERT HAIGH ... .. 5
MISS ANNIE PARKINS ... .. 2	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... .. 6
JAMES R. KEMP ... .. 3	ERNEST SIMPSON ... .. 7
*GEORGE ROBINSON ... .. 4	PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by ERNEST SIMPSON.

\* First peal in the method. † First in the method on tower bells. First peal as conductor. This peal was arranged for the ringers of the second and sixth, who hail from Peterborough and Dunstable respectively.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.

WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. Treble	GEORGE T. LEADER ... .. 5
ALFRED J. HARMAN ... .. 2	PERCY E. JONES ... .. 6
GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE ... .. 3	CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. 7
WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 4	THOMAS SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING.

Rung after meeting short for Stedman.

SIX BELL PEALS.

BLAISDON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

JOHN CLARK ... .. Treble	CAPT. A. BENNET, C.A. ... .. 4
WALTER POSTON ... .. 2	EX-SGT. J. WILLIAMS ... .. 5
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

ALLESLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.  
(THE ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

CHARLES AYLETT ... .. Treble	*FRED GARDNER ... .. 4
HARRY O. WHITE ... .. 2	JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... 5
HOBERT SUMMERS ... .. 3	JOHN TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. W. WHITE.

\* First peal of Minor with a bob bell.

KNOWLE, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

SIDNEY JESSOP ... .. Treble	STANLEY BRAGG ... .. 4
*EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... 2	HARRY BRAGG ... .. 5
†HUBERT SHEPHERD ... .. 3	JOHN BRAGG ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY BRAGG.

\* First tower bell peal. † First peal of Minor.

Mr. G. Billenness wishes to announce that the peal of Grandsire Triples he conducted at Cranbrook, Kent, on Saturday August 7th, in 2 hrs. and 54 minutes, was not the quickest peal on the bells. Since publishing it as such he finds that Mr J. H. Cheesman conducted a peal of Stedman Triples here on April 21st, 1908, which was rung in 2 hours and 49 minutes.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

CAMBERWELL, S.E.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN DISTRICT.)

(ST. GILES, CAMBERWELL, SOCIETY.)  
On Wednesday, July 28, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT 24, PECKHAM ROAD,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5001 CHANGES:**

ERNEST J. KING ... .. 1-2	ISAAC ATTWATER ... .. 5-6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 3-4	ALBERT C. V. GASSON ... 7-8

Composed by J. P. BRADLEY. Conducted by T. H. TAFFENDER.  
Umpires: GEORGE H. DAYNES and ROBERT G. CHAPPELLE.

ARMLEY, LEEDS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT 10, MITFORD ROAD,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

MALCOLM MOORHOUSE ... 1-2	GERALD MOORHOUSE ... 5-6
JOHN WM. MOORHOUSE ... 3-4	OLIVE L. LUMLEY ... 7-8

WILLIAM H. PICKETT.

Composed by WM. TOTTANSTALL and Conducted by J. W. MOORHOUSE.  
Witnesses: MRS. MOORHOUSE and MISS MARS.  
First peal in the method as conductor on handbells.

CAMBERWELL, S.E.\*  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
(SOUTHERN DISTRICT.)

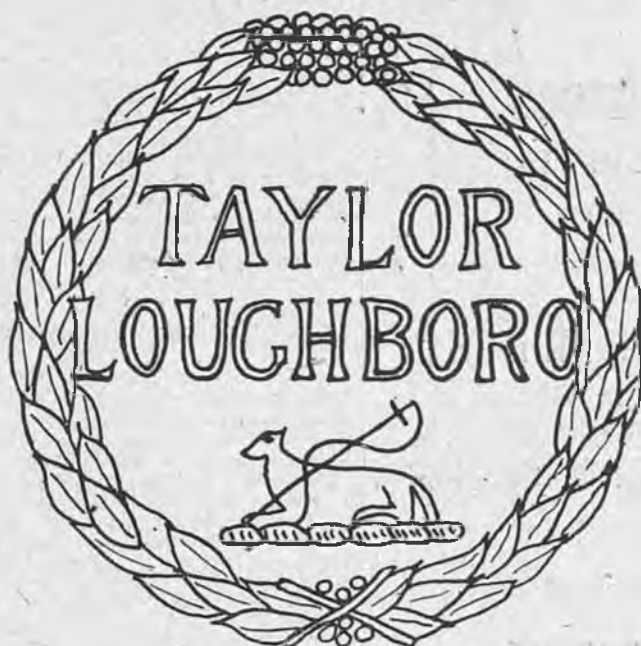
(ST. GILES, CAMBERWELL, SOCIETY.)  
On Wednesday, August 4, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT 24, PECKHAM ROAD,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5037 CHANGES:**

ERNEST J. KING ... .. 1-2	ISAAC ATTWATER ... .. 5-6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 3-4	ALBERT C. V. GASSON ... 7-8

WILLIAM H. PICKETT.

Composed by J. P. BRADLEY. Conducted by T. H. TAFFENDER.  
Umpires: ROBERT G. CHAPPELLE and REGINALD W. MARSHALL.



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## BARNSELEY & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

A very successful gathering of this association was held at Hoyland-swaine, on Saturday, August 14th under the happiest conditions. This village is near yet seems to escape the dust and smoke of the mines surrounding Barnsley, and is situated five hundred feet above sea level. Delightful views are obtainable, and there is a musical ring of six bells (tenor 10 cwt.) in the model village church tower. To these attractions were added the personal and unstinted welcome of the Vicar and Mrs. King. Members were present from Horbury, Worley, Wath, Darfield, Barnsley, etc. By the kind invitation of the Vicar and Mrs. King tea was served at the Vicarage, and very much enjoyed. The Vicar, who is a 'brother string,' took the chair for business meeting. A discussion took place as to the best procedure to raise the status of the society. New members were elected, and a hearty vote of thanks for tea and use of bells were unanimously passed to the ladies, the Vicar and churchwardens.

## PROPOSED NEW BELLS FOR MALDON.

A quarterly meeting of the South Eastern Division of the Essex Association was held at Maldon, when the bells of All Saints' and St. Mary's towers were kept going throughout the afternoon and evening to various touches. About 20 members were present from Broomfield, Chelmsford, Goldhanger, Writtle, Hull, and the local companies. Service was held at All Saints' conducted by the Rev. Seymour (Vicar), and tea was followed by the business meeting, the Vicar presiding. Mr. J. Stoh, of Fryerning, was elected a ringing member. The next place of meeting was left to the Master and secretary to decide so that in the event of the association's war memorial being ready for dedication, it can be arranged to take place at Chelmsford.

It was proposed to hold a bye-meeting at Rettendon in September. Mr. W. Lincoln proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and the Vicar, in responding, said he was pleased to see the ringers there, and hoped that Maldon would soon possess a peal of eight. They had had several estimates for two trebles, and if the money could be raised the bells of All Saints' would be overhauled and the bells added.

## HEMINGBOROUGH PARISH CHURCH, NEAR SELBY.

On Sunday July 4th, during evening service, the Vicar (the Rev H. P. Peacock) unveiled a board tablet to record all the peals rung since the bells (six in all) were put in. The work was carried out and presented to the church by William Arthur Hudson, one of the local ringers.

On August 4th, a 720 Oxford and 360 Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung by: James Baraclough (conductor) 1. M. J. June 2. G. C. Terry 3. A. Hatfield 4. E. D. June 5. W. A. Hudson 6. Mr. James Baraclough hails from Huddersfield, and was spending a few days with Mr. W. A. Hudson.

On August 11th, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob was rung by: George Fenton 1. M. J. June 2. F. Cryer 3. W. A. Hudson (conductor) 4. H. Morley 5. A. E. Sellers 6. Also touches of Oxford Plain Bob, Grandsire and Siedman were brought round. Mr. Albert E. Sellers hails from Beverley Minster; G. Fenton F. Cryer and H. Morley hail from Selby Abbey.

## WOULD-BE CONDUCTORS' GRIEVANCE.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—Recently you made an appeal to the Associations generally to do more to encourage their six-bell ringers. May I ask you to raise your voice in support of those who have another grievance? I refer to very little encouragement given to young conductors by 'old hands.' In my tower, for instance, our conductor admittedly a capable man, monopolises the calling on all occasions. I do not think it is selfishness altogether. It may be he imagines no one else could do it, but unless he gives others the chance how are we to learn and how are we to provide for the future? One or two of us, at least, are a little ambitious, but no opportunities for calling touches are put in our way, and we have to be content with remaining in the rut. I have no doubt there are many others similarly placed, but you may, perhaps, be able to awaken sufficient interest to get the matter ventilated in the various associations.—Yours truly

W. M. H.

[If W. M. H.'s conductor is not acting from selfish motives, surely a tactful word at an opportune moment would set matters right in his own tower, and we should advise him to try this course. This is a subject, however, with wider aspects, some of which are dealt with elsewhere.—Ed.]



## RINGERS' EXCURSIONS.

## ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.

Romney Marsh and District Guild held their annual outing on Saturday, August 14th and, like last year, chartered automobiles for travelling. The company numbered about 60, and included several ringers' wives. The charabanc started from New Romney, and picked up representatives from Appledore, Fairfield, Stone, Mersham Ashford, Tenterden, Rolvenden, Biddenden, Benenden, Hawkhurst, etc. On leaving the last-named place the party passed over the Kent boundary into Sussex, the route taken being through the pretty scenery around Hurst Green and Burwash, and on to Heathfield, where a short halt was made in order to ring on the light peal of eight at Heathfield Church. Subsequently a call was made at Ringmer Church, where the Vicar warmly welcomed the visitors. Time would only permit for short touches on this fine peal of eight, which, we understand, are a 'maiden' peal. St. Peter's, Brighton, was the next stopping-place, and here the excursionists were met by the Master of the Sussex Association (Mr. J. T. Rickman), Messrs. K. Hart, A. D. Stone, H. Stalham, and other skilful Brightonians. Everybody thoroughly enjoyed ringing on the grand peal of ten, and in the afternoon another treat was in store, the members having the pleasure of ringing at Shoreham where a very musical peal of eight hang in an ancient tower. Messrs. H. Challen, Burtenshaw, Arnell and others kindly received the party. On the return journey the ring of ten at Southover Church, Lewes, were at the disposal of the members. Messrs. A. J. Turner and R. J. Dawe welcomed the party, and about an hour's ringing was indulged in. Wherever the members went they were cordially received, and they return hearty thanks to those Sussex gentlemen who kindly met them and helped in the ringing at the churches visited. Two lady members, Mrs. Gatehouse (Biddenden) and Miss R. Thomas (Mersham) were among the party, and rang very creditably. The methods rung included Grandsire Caters, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major.

## LUTON RINGERS AT NORTHAMPTON.

By the kindness of the Vicar and churchwardens, the ringers of the Parish Church had their first outing since the war on August 14th, when Northampton was visited and an enjoyable day was spent by the 14 members of the band, the weather and the arrangements being all that could be desired. At All Saints' Church they were welcomed by Messrs. Farcy, senr., and Allen, on behalf of the Vicar who was on his holiday. Ringing was indulged in for upwards of an hour in Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Superlative Surprise Major. After lunch a visit was made to St. Edmund's belfry, where the visitors were met by Mr. Metherell, who welcomed the visitors on behalf of the Vicar (the Rev. J. E. Hopkins), and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, and a well-struck course of Superlative Surprise Major was brought round by the visitors.

After tea, St. Giles' tower, with its beautiful peal of ten bells, was visited. Mr. W. Rogers and several of the local band welcomed the party and Stedman Caters and Kent Treble Bob Royal were rung. The visitors wish to thank the incumbents for their kindness in allowing the use of the bells, and the ringers of Northampton, especially Mr. W. Rogers, for the arrangements made and for their welcome.

## A DAY IN BRISTOL.

The ringers of Weston-super-Mare paid a visit to Yate in Gloucestershire, for their outing the party numbering 14, journeying by motor-cars. The bells at Yate, a peal of 6, were found to be in a very bad condition; in fact, they had not been rung for six months. However, all the band had a pull, several six scores of Grandsire being brought round. Bristol was then reached. Mr. W. Thomas, of St. Stephen's, had kindly arranged a luncheon at the hospitality of Mr. Jesse Tyler, another St. Stephen's ringer, where a good substantial meal was thoroughly enjoyed. St. Matthew's was then visited, and on the well-kept peal of eight several touches of Grandsire and Stedman were brought round, including a well-struck 504 of the latter method.

After tea the party were kindly entertained at St. Stephen's, where, with the help of the St. Stephen's men, several of the band rang their first touch of Grandsire and Stedman Caters. A touch of Double Norwich was also rung, in which a couple of the Weston band took part. At 8 o'clock tracks were made for home, Weston being reached at 9.45. The weather during the day was splendid. Much of the credit for the successful day is due to Mr. W. Thomas, who met the band at Yate arranged the meals and obtained the use of St. Matthew's tower; to Mr. Knight for procuring the use of St. Stephen's bells; and to the St. Stephen's ringers who gave the visitors a hand during the evening. The pleasure of the outing was made complete by the presence of Mr. W. Mundy, of St. Martin's, Leicester, who for many years was a member of the Weston band.

## ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL BAND'S OUTING.

The Rochester Cathedral band had a motor charabanc drive through Kent and Sussex for their annual outing. The company,

augmented by friends of the ringers, to the number of 32, assembled at the Town Hall, Chatham, at 7.45 a.m. in a heavy downpour of rain, which tended to mar the prospects of a good day's outing. Fortunately however, as they reached the outskirts of Meopham the weather cleared, the sun in its immature splendour seemed to be groping its way through the few remaining clouds, brightening the spirits of the little excursion party, whose gay laughter, testified to their anticipation of a beautiful day. The first stop was made at Wrotham, which was reached shortly after 9 o'clock the fine old peal at St. George's Church being made good use of in Grandsire and Stedman during an all too brief stay. The party then headed for Tunbridge Wells, and after a somewhat circular course (owing to irregular pilotage) reached there at 11.15 a.m. Short touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob were rung on the new peal of eight by Gillett and Johnston at St. Peter's till noon, when a move was made to St. Deny's Church, Rotherfield. Here again, owing to time, they had to be contented with a few short touches of Grandsire and Stedman. It was pretty evident that several of the party were very reluctant to leave this grand old peal, with a tenor about 23 cwt., to journey on to the highest point of Sussex, viz. Crowborough Beacon, where dinner had been arranged. Passing on to Mayfield the party spent an hour on Standard Methods in the tower of St. Dunstan's. A long ride back over the border into Kent brought the visitors to Linton, where they enjoyed the bountiful tea that awaited them in the Parochial Hall, opposite which is the Church of St. Nicholas, where some good touches in various methods (intermingled with handbell ringing close by) was the substance of the entertainment until 8.30, when they departed for Chatham.

## A TRIP INTO DEVON.

## WELLS RINGERS' 200 MILES RIDE.

A very pleasant trip took place on Sunday, August 8th, when a party of eight ringers in two cars motored from Wells, Somerset to Northam, Devon. A 4.30 a.m. start had been arranged, but 'go' was not called until 4.45, as there were one or two late arrivals. All went well as Taunton, Wiveliscombe, Bampton and South Molton 'course ends' rolled up splendidly, until a 'shift course' occurred to one of the cars within a few miles of Barnstaple. This caused a delay of about 40 minutes, but Northam was reached about 10 a.m., after a run of 96 miles through some beautiful country. The party at once visited the tower, which contains a nice musical ring of eight bells (quite recently dedicated) by Taylor. The tenor is 15 cwt. and the 'go' perfect. After a good 'rise' in peal, the first touch ever rung on the bells was brought round, conducted by Mr. W. Farley, for service.

The Vicar had kindly promised to entertain the party for the day, and met them at 2.15, and extended to them a hearty welcome. After lunch, the bells were again set going and a well-struck quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 43 minutes, by: T. T. Hayward 1, W. J. Mills 2, J. T. Dyke (conductor) 3, E. G. Lush 4, A. M. G. Daniel 5, A. E. Mills 6, W. Farley 7, G. Radford 8. It was intended to start for a peal, but as there was a special service at 3 o'clock, this proposal had to be cancelled. After enjoying a walk, some of the party going as far as Westward Ho all met at the Vicarage for tea, when the Vicar took the opportunity of thanking the visitors for coming. He had enjoyed the ringing very much indeed and trusted he would have the pleasure of welcoming them again at Northam.

The tower was once more visited. After another touch, the bells were lowered in peal, and a start made for home Wells being reached after a most delightful trip, which covered nearly 200 miles.

## VISIT TO TAMWORTH.

Tamworth (the name of which is derived from its principal river, the Tame, and 'worth,' a farm or estate, is seated in an undulating country with a fine old castle standing on an eminence above the river Anker. Its large and beautiful Church of St. Editha has a lofty tower containing eight bells, with a tenor of 22½ cwt., was visited on the occasion of the annual outing of the members and friends of the Erdington Parish Church Society and the Midland section of the Ladies' Guild, the two groups joining to make the outing more successful. The party journeyed by bus and train, arriving at their destination about 2.30 p.m. those going by motor-bus beating the railway travellers by 'a short head.' At the church the visitors were met by Mr. J. Pratt who gave them a welcome, and escorted them to the tower, the staircase of which is a double spiral of 106 steps, having two distinct entrances intended respectively for the parish and college ringers, and believed to be the only one of the kind. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Kent Treble Bob Major Bob Major, etc., were rung. Twenty-two sat down to tea and afterwards the ladies paid a visit to the Castle and the beautiful grounds, while the gentlemen again paid a visit to the tower. In the belfry are a number of tablets recording peals rung on the bells including the one rung for the Millennium of Tamworth Castle, in which the late Miss Margery F. Sampson, a great favourite of the ladies and Erdington ringers, took part.

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### A VISIT TO EVESHAM.

The choir and ringers of Solihull Church visited Evesham by motor charabanc. A preliminary survey of the riverside and 'Bell Tower' was taken, and a few unrecorded historical facts by a totally unreliable member of the party caused some merriment. The afternoon was taken up by a steamer trip, the scenery up the river being much admired. (At the risk of appearing cynical, the writer would like to state that there are advantages in losing a return ticket!) Through the kindness of Mr. H. Middleton arrangements had been made at the Bell Tower, and after tea the ringing members of the party, assisted by Messrs. Middleton and Phipps, rang Grandsire Stedman and Plain Bob on this magnificent ring. Afterwards, in the congenial atmosphere of 'another place,' handbells were produced, and a touch of Grandsire Triples, followed by a course of Grandsire Caters was rung. The ringers wish to thank very heartily Mr. Middleton and Mr. Phipps for their trouble in making arrangements, and being present at the tower.

### RINGERS' WEDDING.

On August 9th at the Parish Church, Swainswick, the wedding was solemnised between Mr. A. Clark and Miss K. M. Short, both bride and bridegroom being members of the Swainswick band of ringers. The bells were fired as the wedding party left the church, and afterwards a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung by the following members of the Bath and Wells Association: Miss A. E. Watson 1, J. Hallett 2, J. Bell 3, J. Taylor 4, O. Bell (conductor) 5, B. Clark 6. In the evening the bells were again rung, friends coming from Bathaston, Weston and Bath, and touches of Plain Bob and Grandsire brought round. The local band presented the happy couple with a very handsome travelling clock.

### HARWICH RINGERS' TRIP.

The Harwich company of ringers had a most enjoyable outing to Sudbury the journey being made by motor, and after a most enjoyable ride through very pretty scenery reached Sudbury at 4.45; and after tea at the Christopher Hotel a visit was paid to All Saints' Church, where a few touches were rung on the bells by kind permission of the Vicar. The return journey was commenced at eight o'clock and home was reached shortly before midnight bringing to a close what was voted the most successful and enjoyable outing the company had ever had.

### THREE PEALS IN 190 YEARS.

An interesting point occurs in connection with the peal of Kent Treble Bob at St. Mary's Church, Ellesmere, Salop, on August 14th. In the tower is recorded a peal of Grandsire Triples rung by a local company in 1730, in which A. J. Langford took part. The next peal, was on September 15th 1894, after 164 years, in which R. D. Langford, senr., took part and conducted by R. T. Holding, senr., who rang the 7th, R. D. Langford ringing the 5th. On August 14th, 1920 the 3rd peal on the bells was rung, and on this occasion R. D. Langford, junr., rang the 5th, and R. T. Holding, junr., the 7th. Thus, in all three peals rung at Ellesmere in a period of 190 years a Langford took part; a record in its way, we should imagine.

### MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On Wednesday, August 21st a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: J. Powell (first attempt for a quarter) 1, J. H. Edwards 2, W. A. Woodrow (Hersham) 3, J. Bakle 4, T. Booth 5, O. Waghorn 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, C. Chapman 8.

**LYTCHETT MINSTER.**—On Sunday, July 18th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung by: T. Bullock 1, W. Bennett (Branksome) 2, H. Bennett (Branksome) 3, S. Purchase 4, W. Allen (conductor) 5, C. Harvey 6. First quarter by ringers of 1, 4, 5 and 6, and rung half-muffled for the unveiling of the war memorial to the fallen men, three of whom were ringers at the church.

### Y.A.C.R. AT PONTEFRAC.

On Monday, August 2nd, the members of the association were invited to try the new peal of ten bells that have been put in at the Parish Church by Messrs. Taylor and Co. A number of ringers turned up and there was plenty of enthusiasm. The bells were kept going from 10 a.m. to 8.30 at night in various methods from Minor to Royal and Grandsire Triples to Caters. The bells of All Saints' were also placed at the disposal of the visitors, and they claimed a fair share of attention. Tea was provided in the All Saints' House by Mr. B. Moody, one of the local ringers, some 110 ringers and friends sitting down. After tea, the Rev. Cosway, senior curate of the Parish Church, addressed a few words of welcome to those present and also read a letter from the Vicar (the Rev. Capron), who was away on holiday, expressing the pleasure it gave him to have the association's visit to Pontefract. The Vicar of All Saints' (the Rev. Shipley) also spoke a few words.—On the motion of Mr. W. Pearson a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Messrs. Taylor and Co. for their kind hospitality that day, and congratulating them upon the great success that had attended their work in the tower of the Parish Church.—This was seconded by Mr. H. Walters, and responded to by Mr. R. Taylor. Mr. Senior, local ringer, took an excellent photograph of the party. Ringing was again taken up at both churches, while others adjourned to the Elephant Hotel, where a room was placed at the disposal of ringers for social intercourse and handbell ringing. The Pontefract ringers were congratulated on having two such lovely rings as now hang in both towers. The following towers were represented: Bolton, Bradford, Barisheaton, Leeds, Holbeck Wakefield, Barnsley, Killamark, Workop, York, Halifax, Lowmoor, Huddersfield, Wath, and others. Mr. B. Sheppard, of Swindon, also spent a short time amongst the ringers. The Loughboro' foundry was represented by Mr. Taylor, and along with him were Mr. J. Oldham, R. Lane and two others. Mr. Pickard, who had taken a very active part in connection with the work of the new bells, was unable to be present owing to illness.

A. W.

### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham District was held at Chislehurst, on Saturday, August 17th. The bells were raised at 3 p.m., and during the afternoon and evening touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major were accomplished. Service was held at 5 p.m., the association form being used, and a short address was given by Canon J. E. Dawson (Rector). The members then adjourned to the Village Hall where tea, kindly provided by the Rector and churchwardens (Messrs. Evan Edwards and A. Ll. Sturge) was awaiting them. After the Rector had said grace he gave them a hearty welcome to Chislehurst, and was glad to be able to entertain them better than on their last visit.—Mr. F. W. Thornton then proposed that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded the Rector for the use of the bells and his address, also to him and the churchwardens for their kind hospitality. This was seconded by Mr. W. Smith, and carried by acclamation.—The Rector thanked them for their kind remarks, as also did Mr. Sturge on behalf of himself and co-wardens. The business meeting followed, Mr. Sturge in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The election of Mr. H. Palmer of Skirbeck, Boston, Lincolnshire, previous to a peal attempt, was confirmed. St. Nicholas', Deptford, was selected for the annual district meeting, and that permission be asked for the use of Greenwich bells from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. on Oct. 30th; failing here, that it be held at Dartford.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Sturge for meeting them and presiding, who, in reply, said it had been a great pleasure to him and interesting; he was only a young churchwarden, and did not know there was such a society. He also promised to become an hon. member. About fifty ringers were present during the day, ten towers in the district represented; also members from Cubitt Town Gravesend, West Ham and Leatherhead, and friends from Hornchurch and Coggeshall, Essex.

### ROYAL EXCHANGE BELLS.

Messrs. Gillett and Johnston have now got in hand the recasting of the 13 bells at the Royal Exchange, London. The cost of the recasting is to be defrayed by the Gresham Trust and the Mercers' Company. The bells are familiar to dwellers and workers in the City, for tunes have been chimed upon them three times daily.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James', Birch-in-Rusholme, on Saturday, August 28th. Bells available 3.30. Meeting at 7 p.m.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—A meeting will be held at Idle on Saturday, August 28th. Bells available from 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Stockport Branch. The next meeting will be held at Warburton on Saturday, August 28th.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, estab. 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Sept. 4th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—A Quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Kingswinford, Staffs, on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, which will be conducted by the Rev. A. H. Messiter (Vicar). Tea will be provided at 1/- each.—Herbert Sheppard, 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—A district meeting will be held at Foxearth on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Short service, with address by Rev. H. S. Carpenter, at 4.30, followed by tea at the Club room, 1s. 3d. per head. Members please notify their intention to be present not later than August 31st to H. F. Cooper, District Master, 'Red Lion,' Stisted, near Braintree.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 4th, at St. Mark's, Glodwick. Bells ready at 3. Business meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is requested.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Tamworth on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available at 3. Service in Church at 5.14, with an address by the Rev. K. G. Rosher, Vicar. Tea will be provided at 6. Please send word by Tuesday, August 31st. Reports will be distributed.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday, Sept. 4th.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—Ipswich District.—A meeting will be held at Hadleigh on Saturday, Sept. 4th. By kind permission of Dean Carter, the bells will be available from 2 p.m. All ringers welcome (especially those in the Sudbury Archdeaconry). Arrangements are being made for tea at a reasonable price. Will those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than August 29th?—E. Evans, 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A district meeting will be held at Selling on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5 o'clock; address by the Vicar. Will all members attending kindly study Treble Bob Methods for this occasion?—E. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Baglan on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.45. Tea at Baglan Hall, 5.30. Members and ringing friends invited. Will those intending to be present at tea kindly advise Mrs. E. G., Bellringer, Church House, Baglan, Britton Ferry?—Chas. Morse, Sec., 2, Tycock Road, Sketty, Swansea.

SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The September meeting will be held at North Wingfield, on Saturday, September 4th. Eight bells from 3 o'clock. Tea will be provided at 1/6 per head to those who notify Mr. Wm. Butler, 51, Knighton Street, Hephthorn Lane, Nr. Chesterfield, not later than Sept. 1st.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Sept. 2nd, 16th, 30th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 7th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 14th; and \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 21st, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Hindley, on Saturday, 11th Sept. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec.



**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Thurcaston (8 bells), on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Ringing from 2.30. Business meeting at 5.30.—H. E. Norman, Hon. Sec., 4, Berners St., Leicester.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch. The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, Sept. 11th, 1920. Bells ready at 3.30 o'clock. Meeting at 7. Business very important. A good attendance is requested.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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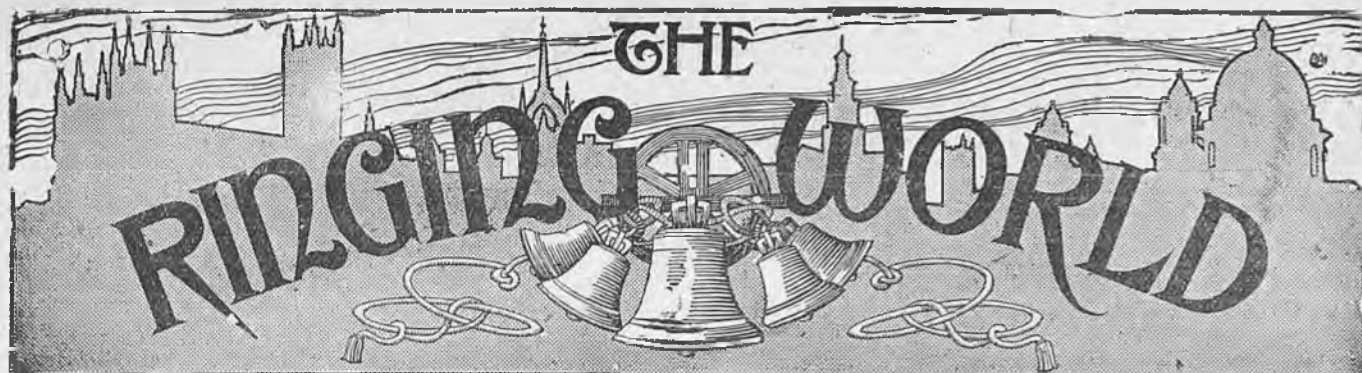
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* ALFRED J. MAWBY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 5
FRED WILFORD ... .. 2	HERBERT RAINBOW ... .. 6
FRED HOPPER ... .. 3	JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 7
WILLIAM FAREY ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by W. J. ALLEN.

\* First Surprise peal, also the first Surprise peal on the bells.

COLEMAN'S HATCH, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb.

FREDERICK W. WHITE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM WATTS ... .. 5
JOHN RICE ... .. 2	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 6
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 3	ROBERT J. DAWE ... .. 7
FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 4	HENRY STALHAM ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.



## WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. Treble	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 5
MISS I. MAY DURRANT ... .. 2	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... .. 6
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. 3	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 7
ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal in the method by the ringer of the 2nd, to whom great credit is due, as she had only rung one course of Double Norwich on tower bells previous to starting for the peal. This composition is now rung for the first time, and contains 4-5-6 only in 6ths with the sixth her extant home. Miss Durrant is the first lady to ring a peal in this method for this Association.

## STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

J. J. PARKER'S SIX-PART, No. 2.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*JAMES ROWE ... .. Treble	JOHN A. CROCKER ... .. 5
†WILLIAM BURDEN ... .. 2	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 3	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. PARKER ... .. 4	SAMUEL W. GREENWOOD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. Arranged as a welcome to the Rev. F. G. Marriott as Vicar of St. Peter's, and rung immediately after the induction service.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes.

At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

*WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. Treble	ALBERT WARD ... .. 5
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 2	JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 6
JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 3	MISS HILDA WILLSON ... .. 7
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 4	WILLIAM WILLSON ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

\* First peal of Major.

## WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

HARRY HALL ... .. Treble	*GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... .. 5
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 2	ALFRED WATSON ... .. 6
ALBERT L. J. NAUNTON ... .. 3	ERNEST LINCOLN ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... .. 4	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 7th.

## OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, August 22, 1920, in Three Hours,

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 11 cwt.

JONATHAN WHEWELL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RILEY ... .. 5
JOE RAWCLIFFE ... .. 2	ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH ... .. 6
*MISS ELLEN SHAW ... .. 3	JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... .. 7
JAMES SHAW ... .. 4	*WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

\* First peal in the method. This peal was arranged for W. Taylor, who hails from Penwortham.

## MINDHEAD SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

CHARLES STRAWBRIDGE ... Treble	FREDERICK DATE ... .. 5
SIDNEY MASON ... .. 2	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 6
ERNEST PARKER ... .. 3	GEORGE ATKINS ... .. 7
JOHN PUGSLEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM R. HOYLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

## WORSLEY.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 24, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute.

At the Church of St. Mark.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

E. TAYLOR'S BOB AND SINGLE.

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM JONES ... .. Treble	FRANK STONELEY ... .. 5
MISS EMMA TONGE ... .. 2	JOSEPH HENRY RIDYARD ... .. 6
JOSEPH HALL ... .. 3	PERCY H. DERBYSHIRE ... .. 7
FREDERICK GRUNDY ... .. 4	STANLEY HARRISON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. RIDYARD.

This is the first peal at Worsley in which a lady ringer has taken part. The company wish to congratulate Miss Tonge on her achievement.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## HEYDON, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes.

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL.

## A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb.

MATTHEW TIMBERS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. WASEY ... .. 4
ALBERT J. NEALE ... .. 2	WALTER FORD ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. BARBER ... .. 3	WALTER C. MEDLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

## KILLAMARSH, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes.

At the Church of St. Giles,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Killamarsh Treble Bob, City Delight, College Pleasure, Arnold's Victory, Duke of York, Violet and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt.

HARRY GREAVES ... .. Treble	GEORGE BURNHAM ... .. 4
THOMAS BETTISON ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. TURTON ... .. 5
JAMES EMBEN ... .. 3	CHARLES SEVERN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. BETTISON.

Rung on the 28th anniversary of the first peal by the local company, in which the five last named took part. The above methods and the conductor are the same as in the first peal. Mr. Bettison hails from Mansfield, Notts.

## FOWNHOPE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(HEREFORD DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM H. SYMONDS ... Treble	WALTER TAYLOR ... .. 4
WILLIAM C. YOUNG ... .. 2	HENRY J. TAYLOR ... .. 5
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the tenor man.

STAPLEFORD, CAMBS. — On July 26th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Reed 1, E. G. Hibbins (first 720 of Cambridge as conductor) 2, A. E. Austin 3, T. R. Dennis 4, T. Finch (first 720 of Cambridge) 5, W. H. J. Hooton 6.

BREADSALL, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being four 720's of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 17 cwt.

*WILFRED H. BUXTON ... .. Treble	CHARLES DRAPER ... .. 4
*GEORGE W. BRAME ... .. 2	JOHN W. GLEW ... .. 5
*WILLIAM POYSER ... .. 3	JOSEPH LORD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells.

NUNNEY, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(FROME AND MIDSOMER NORTON DEANERY.)

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

42 six-scores with different callings. Tenor 12 cwt.

*ARTHUR GANE ... .. Treble	ERNEST A. H. LANE ... .. 4
HERBERT E. WEBB ... .. 2	CYRIL S. WEBB ... .. 5
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. ROSSITER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON.

\* First peal on the bells.

WEST BUCKLAND, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

GILBERT JONES ... .. Treble	FRED C. ESSEX ... .. 4
FRED POLE ... .. 2	WILLIAM SEALEY ... .. 5
ALBERT TOUT ... .. 3	JOHN CARTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. TOUT.

First peal on the bells. The ringer of the treble hails from Chipstable, 2nd Fitzhead, 3rd and 6th Milverton, 4th Cothelstone, 5th Bishops Lydeard.

MARKFIELD, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 different 120's.

Tenor 7 cwt.

*ROWLAND BARROW ... .. Treble	HORACE O. OVER ... .. 3
CHARLES ALLSOP ... .. 2	FREDK. J. BOWLEY, SEN. ... .. 4
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal of Doubles. First peal on these bells, which are in a minor key, i.e., the first five of a peal of 6. It is the first change ringing on them for many years.

HARROLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

Being seven 720's each called differently.

CHARLES COCKINGS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM STOCK ... .. 4
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 2	HERBERT ROBINSON ... .. 5
ALFRED ROBINSON ... .. 3	GEORGE THEW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY W. GAYTON.

This is the first peal ever rung on the bells by an entirely local band, consisting of all members of the above belfry. It was rung with the bells deeply muffled in memory of the lads who fell in the Great War from this parish, previous to the dedication of a memorial tablet to their memory by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans. It is also believed to be the first peal of Oxford Bob Minor by the Association.

HAVANT HANTS.—On Sunday, July 25th, for morning service, at St. Faith's Church, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: \*L. C. Best 1. J. D. Harris 2 \*R. J. Hasted 3, \*E. Hedger 4, F. W. Rogers 5, R. J. Stone 6, R. Hasted (conductor) 7, \*A. H. Hopkins 8. \* First quarter-peal.

BROMHAM, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Owen,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London Scholar's Pleasure, College Exercise Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court and Single Oxford Bob.

HERBERT MORTIMER ... .. Treble	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... .. 4
CHARLES MORTIMER ... .. 2	PEARL INSKIP ... .. 5
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 3	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

EASTHAM, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*WALTER J. BATTLE ... .. Treble	JAMES GRIFFIN ... .. 4
HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 2	SMITH WOOD ... .. 5
HAROLD ROGERS ... .. 3	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

\* First peal of Minor.

HANDBELL PEALS.

SKEGNESS, LINCOLN.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Monday, August 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

On the Sands,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Size 18 in G.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 1—2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3—4	WALTER AYRE ... .. 7—8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9—10	

Composed by EDWARD FRANCIS. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Witnesses: The Misses A. POLLING and JEPSON.

Several ringers and friends from Peterborough heard the latter part of the peal.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, August 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At Glyn Garth,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Size 15 in C.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 1—2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3—4	*COLIN RYDER ... .. 7—8

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Umpire: WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal of Bob Major and first peal in hand.

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

At 5, King's Head Street,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

ARTHUR T. MORRIS ... .. 1—2	THOMAS H. BERNAR ... .. 5—6
GEORGE THOMPSON ... .. 3—4	TOWER TAYLOR ... .. 7—8

Composed by G. PATRICK. Conducted by A. T. MORRIS.

T. Taylor hails from Edinburgh.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At Glyn Garth,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Size 17 in A.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 1—2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3—4	WALTER AYRE ... .. 7—8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9—10	

Composed by EDWARD FRANCIS. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Rupert Richardson.

## WAR MEMORIAL AT WHISTON. YORKSHIRE PEAL TABLET UNVEILED.

The Bishop of Sheffield on Saturday week unveiled and dedicated a memorial peal tablet in the Whiston Parish Church, Yorks, erected to the memory of 30 men belonging to the parish who laid down their lives in the Great War. Preceding the dedication ceremony, a half-muffled touch of Grandsire Triples was rung by the band who rang the peal in October last, the ringers standing in the same order as on the day the peal was rung.

The service commenced with the singing of the hymn, 'We love the place, O God,' followed by a shortened form of evening prayer read by the Rector (the Rev. A. G. Allton). The Bishop then proceeded to the west end of the church, to the tower wall, where the tablet was covered with the flag of 'St. George.' After the dedicatory prayers, the Bishop released the fastenings of the flag, and as they fell to the ground exposed to view a beautiful polished marble tablet with incised gold lettering, etc. The design is very simple, yet effective, and emblematic of the Christian soldier. From the sides rise 'The Palms of Victory.' The point of honour is filled in with 'The Crown of Glory' shining above 'The Shield of the Crusader.' Surrounding the shield and crown are placed laurels also, emblematic of victory. Above these symbols of the Christian soldier come the words which form a kind of early English arch, 'St. Mary Magdalene, Whiston. The remainder of the inscription reads as follows:—

'To the Glory of God and in memory of 30 men of this parish who fell in the Great War, 1914—1918.'

Lindoff's Ten Part Peal of Grandsire Triples (5040 changes) was rung with the bells half-muffled, on Saturday, October 4th, 1919—in three hours by the following members of the Yorks Association, who erected this tablet:—

Arthur Hague (treble), Miss Winifred M. Hague 2. Colin Ryder 3. Sidney Briggs 4. William Warburton 5. Alfred T. Baker 6. Fred Watkinson 7. Edgar C. Garrison 8. Conducted by Fred Watkinson. Rev. A. G. Allton, Rector.

The frame is of English oak of a rich brown colour, which stands on stone corbels, and is over three feet in height. The upper portion of the frame is surmounted by an oak pediment, in the centre of which is carved in relief a Calvary Cross, which is also covered with gold leaf. Otherwise the frame (which was supplied by Mr. H. Beardsley of Ilkerton, also a ringer) is in itself the essence of simplicity and excellent workmanship, and reflects great credit upon him.

When the ceremony of unveiling had been performed, Miss Winifred

Hague placed a laurel wreath immediately below the memorial as 'a bell ringers' tribute to those who saved us from the hand of the vandal and murderer.'

After the singing of the hymn, 'For all the Saints,' the Bishop addressed those who had assembled to witness the solemn ceremony. His Lordship based his remarks upon the lessons taught by this greatest of wars, pointing out in particular to those ringers who were assembled that the true spirit of comradeship should be the same amongst them as it was among those who had fought their battles, and that they as ringers had a duty to perform even as the soldier in the field. They should be witness even as those who had made the supreme sacrifice. The Bishop then pronounced the blessing after which was sung the hymn 'Saviour, again to Thy Dear Name we raise,' which concluded the service.

Subsequently, his lordship, the ringers, parishioners, and friends partook of tea in the Church Institute. The Bishop while tea was in progress, moved from table to table chatting with one and another. Tea finished, the Bishop before leaving again addressed the gathering, basing his remarks upon the reformation which had taken place in the belfries of to-day compared with the past, and giving encouraging counsel to those who were witnesses of Christ Jesus. The Bishop mentioned that for some time past he had had in mind the idea of a Sheffield Diocesan Society of Ringers. However, finding the Yorkshire Association's Southern District and the Sheffield and Old East Derbyshire Society so well organised and doing good work in practically the whole of the churches in the diocese he had decided to let the project drop.

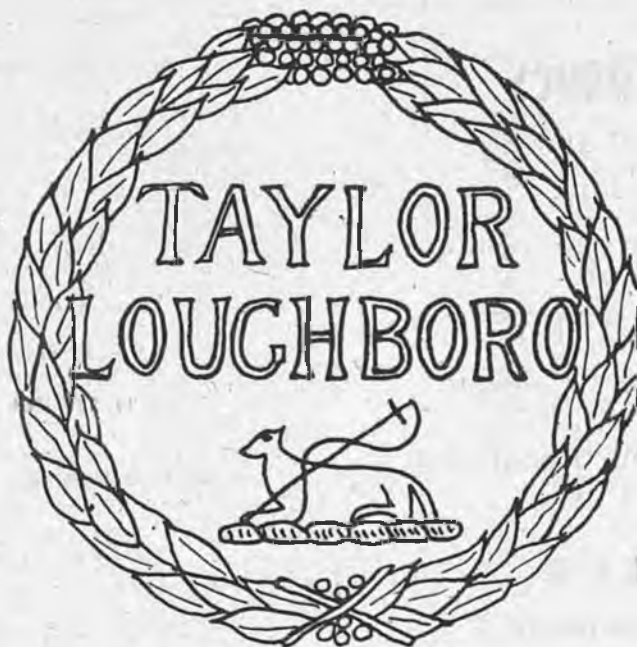
As the Bishop left for another important engagement in Sheffield, the bells in the steeple burst forth with clarion voice clear and melodious, reminding one of the words which had so recently re-echoed within the sacred walls of the beautiful little parish church:—

'But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;  
The Saints triumphant rise in bright array.'

The peal, which the memorial tablet records, is believed to be the first half-muffled peal in the tower although Whiston has possessed bells since 1450.

## HEREFORD RINGING WEEK.

A 'Ringing Week' is on 'the carpet' for Mid-September in the Diocese of Hereford. It is hoped a railway strike won't stop their striking.



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## THE PRESERVATION OF CONDUCTORS.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Every ringer knows that constant practice is necessary if he wishes to keep fit for ringing; but it does not always strike him that constant practice is even more necessary if a man is to be a good conductor. I admit that it is hard on the youngster who desires to get on to have to stand aside and see the old one worn out first but I do not think that he must begin to call out against the selfishness of the chosen conductor of his band. Let us take an instance.

Old Bob had been the conductor of the Slopperton band for many years, and had called them many good peals; but some promising youngsters were coming on, and because he seemed to be monopolising the calling, Bob was given a hint that Harry and Ben would like to have a turn, and he readily consented. The youngsters had their turn and after several peal attempts had broken down there came an occasion when the Slopperton men were most anxious to score a peal, and, of course they all declared that Old Bob must call, and started for the peal with the utmost confidence, but after two hours' ringing there came a hitch and in keeping the bells right the conductor left out a bob. Of course, old Bob was very sorry, and the rest of the band were astonished. 'Never knew him do such a thing before.' 'Couldn't have believed it.' 'He must be wearing out.' Such were the comments of the mortified band. But they were wrong. The truth was that Bob was out of practice.

Now this is not an imaginary case. I have seen it happen again and again during my experience in the tower. A good conductor is a precious possession, and should be carefully looked after when once you have found him. If you once let him fall back for lack of practice he will never be the same man again, for he will lose that confidence in himself which is half the battle in calling a peal.

If we turn to the records of the past we find that whenever a band has come to the front and scored a good bag of peals, they have almost always had one conductor in whom they put their trust. If a conductor is standing in a peal which a youngster is calling, he is almost sure to follow the composition, but only in a half-hearted way, there is not that concentration of mind which is the result of knowing that the responsibility rests on him alone. Hence is generated a lazy habit of following the coursing order, which reproduces itself when next he has to call.

It is not selfishness that makes the good conductor cling to his calling, but it is the necessity of keeping in practice. You can't have two cocks in the poultry yard neither can you have two conductors in one tower. You may have two or more bob callers, but neither of them will be able to do himself full justice because he will not get sufficient practice.

I admit that it is hard on the youngsters who naturally desire to get on, but it is much harder on the band who find out too late that they can no longer make sure of a peal, because when fortune sent them a dependable conductor they have allowed him to go stale for want of practice.—Yours faithfully,

E. BANKES JAMES.

## MOVING THE CLERGY.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—Moving the Clergy to take interest in their bells and ringers and in the gentle art of change ringing, is troublesome, and at times disheartening work. I tried it myself, by voice and pen, for over twenty years, with but little visible result, as far as the clergy were concerned. Mr. Drake I hope, may effect more by beginning at the top with diocesan authorities. A Diocesan Magazine is usually the Bishop's organ of communication with his clergy. What appears in it has his imprimatur, and may command attention when circulars or letters addressed to individual parish clergy by the Master or secretary of a ringers' association may be resented as interference, and find their way to the waste-paper basket. If Mr. Drake can convert a Bishop or Archdeacon or one of the few 'leading clergy' who pull diocesan strings, he may, through them, move the rank and file of those who refuse to hear the voice of the campanological charmer, whom he never (as we may think) so wisely. I wish him all success.

T. L. PAPILLON.

Late Master of the Essex Association.

## OXFORD SOCIETY'S PROGRESS.

On Sunday, August 15th, at the Church of St. Ebbe, 720 each of London, Cambridge, Superlative, York, Durham and Worcester Surprise was rung in two hours and a half by the following members of the Oxford Society and Oxford Diocesan Guild: Frank Beckett 1, Frances Taylor 2, William Harris 3, Frederick Clinkard 4, Charles Coles 5, William H. B. Wilkins (conductor) 6.

This ringing took place in an attempt for a seven method Surprise peal as a farewell to Mr. Charles Coles, who was leaving this neighbourhood but came to grief at the end of the sixth 720. The above band started ringing together last July. In the twelve months since then they have learnt and can ring sixteen different Minor methods besides Stedman Triples and Caters and Kent and Bob Major and Royal, the conductor being the only one that had rung in these methods before.



### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ROCHESTER ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Rochester district was held at Borden on Saturday, August 21st, and upwards of 50 members attended. A short service was held in the church and an able address given by the Vicar (the Rev. Barrett), who, in his remarks, extended a hearty welcome to the association to Borden. The organist, Miss Mears, brightened the service considerably, and a collection at the close for the Kent Ringers' War Memorial realised 14s. 6d. Tea was partaken of at the Maypole Inn, to which 46 sat down and at the business meeting which followed Mr. W. Spice was voted to the chair, in the unavoidable absence of the Vicar.

The Secretary submitted his annual report, which showed that 20 towers in the district were in union with the association, and the number of practising members was 170. During the past year he had visited 16 towers, and was pleased to report that he found that the bells were in nearly every instance being rung regularly for Sunday services, which showed that ringers now they had got settled down after the war, were taking interest in their work, and he hoped it would be maintained. Meetings had been held at Sittingbourne, Gillingham, Cobham, Swanscombe and Cliffe during the year. He spoke of the bell restoration going on in the district, and hoped before long they would have their first peal of ten ready at Rochester Cathedral. He reminded the members that this year they had to elect two representatives to serve on the Central Committee instead of one.—On the proposition of the District Representative the Secretary's report was unanimously adopted.

Three new practising members and one non-resident life member were elected. Mr. E. A. G. Allen (Rochester) was re-elected district representative, and Mr. W. Spice (Tunstall) was unanimously elected as the additional representative.

Mr. F. M. Mitchell (Milton-next-Gravesend) was re-elected district secretary and thanked for his report and work for the association during the past year, to which he briefly responded. It was decided to hold a by-meeting at Northfleet, where the bells had just been restored and two new trebles added, on Saturday Sept. 25th, and the next quarterly meeting was fixed for Saturday, December 11th, at Chatham.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and his address, to the organist for her assistance, and to Mr. W. Spice for presiding, terminated the business.

The tower was again visited, and visits were also paid to Newington and Tunstall, where the two peals of six were kept going until 9 p.m. Members from the Maidstone District and Prittlewell, Essex, attended and helped to make this a highly successful meeting.

### REV. C. J. STURTON'S MARRIAGE. PRESENTATION AT GRANTHAM.

One of the best known clerical ringers in the Midlands the Rev. C. J. Sturton, Vicar of Orston, Notts, was married on Wednesday of last week, the bride being Miss Emmeline Bousier of Hawkesworth, where the wedding took place.

On Saturday evening, August 21st, a company of ringers from Peterborough, Barkston, Long Bennington, Bottesford, Great Ponton, Ancaster, and Grantham, ringing friends of the Rev. C. J. Sturton, Vicar of Orston, Notts, assembled at St. Wulfram's, Grantham, to make a presentation to the Rev. C. J. Sturton. The pleasing duty of making the presentation fell upon Mr. S. Proctor, secretary of the South Lincoln Guild, who spoke of the fellowship that had existed for several years between the ringers present and the Rev. C. J. Sturton, and of the many pleasant hours spent together in the various belfries in the locality. He remarked that the reason why the company had assembled that evening was to give a practical expression to that fellowship, and he asked Mr. Sturton to accept an electro-plated entree dish. Mr. Proctor expressed the hope that the Vicar of Orston and his bride would be spared to enjoy many years of happiness together.

The Rev. C. J. Sturton, who had been taken by surprise, thanked the company for their handsome present, and said he hoped to meet his ringing friends in the towers on many more occasions.

During the evening two happy hours were spent in ringing touches on the bells.

At Ilkeston, Derbyshire, on August 26th, a peal of Bob Major was attempted in honour of the wedding, but was lost through a change of course after two hours and twenty minutes. The band was: J. F. George 1, G. Clarke 2, R. Hayes 3, T. H. Kirkby 4, W. Taylor 5, E. Clarke 6, E. C. Gobey 7, H. Harrison 8, the peal being composed by J. George, of Birmingham, and conducted by E. C. Gobey.

On Saturday, at Lenton, Notts, a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, in honour of the event, was successful.

**TIPTON, STAFFS.**—On Sunday, July 18th, at the Parish Church, for morning service in 46 mins., Carter's quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Evans 1, W. R. Small 2, J. Small 3, T. W. Cattel 4, H. Smith 5, J. Screen (conductor) 6, A. Rowley 7, D. Jinks 8. Longest length in the method by the ringers of 1 and 8. Rung on the occasion of the annual school sermons.

### THE LEICESTER CONTROVERSY.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Being under the impression that our little affair in Leicester had burnt out, it was a surprise to see another letter from Mr. Morris. His first letter contained a thinly veiled attack on St. Martin's, in spite of his constant reiteration that no name or particular society was mentioned. Now, Sir, please let me get right down to the awkward position that I find it so difficult to wriggle out of, right down to the part where I can neither answer direct nor to the point. Two of our societies peals will do for the wriggle: the first of Norwich and Superlative rung by a local resident band. Now, in both of these peals the treble was rung by competent inside men and three good Stedman Cater men stood down, any one of whom was quite as capable of ringing the treble as Mr. Morris was of ringing inside. Further, Len Allen, an equally competent inside ringer, also stood down to oblige. St. Martin's made a practice of asking those who practised with them to ring in their peals; this does not or should not be misconstrued into the fact that Mr. Morris was a necessity when he was asked to stand in a peal.

These peals were rung in 1910 and 1913 (before the war). In 1913 we were ringing Superlative for Sunday services, and shortly afterwards we were ringing London without any assistance whatever from St. Margaret's or elsewhere. Is this direct and pointed enough? Mr. Morris makes the request that we should erase his name from our records. We placed him on the retired list over twelve months past. But he can do the following for himself, erase all the peals that he rang with our society from his peal book, and cease to count them in his total. If he is consistent he will, of course, already have done so. In conclusion, I would advise Mr. Morris not to let jealousy get the master of his better judgment.—Yours faithfully, FRED H. DEXTER.

Dear Sir,—As present secretary of the St. Martin's Society, Leicester, there are points in the last letter published by Mr. E. Morris, that in fairness to both Mr. Dexter and the society, I cannot pass without comment—much as I regret joining in a controversy of any kind. Mr. Morris states that a perusal of our records shows that Mr. Dexter was asked himself as conductor without fail. A glance only at the portion of the records during which Mr. Morris was ringing peals with our society shows that his memory has failed him somewhat. Nor has Mr. Dexter taken part in or conducted all of the peals rung since Mr. Morris ceased to come amongst us. In all peals that he has conducted, however, whether for this society, or with mixed bands, he has not done so without first asking others to relieve him of the office. The remainder of our ringers will vouch for this, as will also the ringers from other towns who have taken part in peals with us—men well known to the Exercise and whose integrity is entirely above suspicion, even if there happens to be any doubt about our own. Mr. Morris further states that methods other than Grandsire and Stedman have only been rung for service during the past twelve months or so, and that by the help only of 'ready-made' ringers from other churches. When I joined the society early in 1913 Surprise ringing for service was the rule rather than the exception, there seldom being less than eight members present who were quite capable of ringing an inside bell in two Surprise methods, and the number of ringers increased later on. Of the pre-war band there are still sufficient remaining to ring Surprise methods for service without any help whatever—whether 'ready-made' or otherwise. So far from the so-called 'ready-mades' being the means of our ringing Surprise I am in the position to know, and have their authority to say that all that they know of the higher methods they have learnt since they have been with us in the tower of St. Martin's. Thanking you for the insertion, and apologising for troubling you,—Faithfully yours, HY. BROUGHTON.

Sir,—Your recent leader on the above subject and the subsequent controversy that has arisen in Leicester on account of Mr. Ernest Morris writing on behalf of his district, tempts me to ask you to publish facts we, in this district, know regarding Mr. Morris. During his two years' stay in York, whilst on military service, he looked up ringing matters in the district, and went about among towers containing 5 to 12 bells, with equal enthusiasm, rendering assistance and doing much good work. The testimonial from the York Minster Society given to him on leaving that city, shows plainly their appreciation of his services, while we in Selby can vouch for his keenness in outside towers when he conducted peals of Doubles, Minor, Triples and Major.

We in this district have no inside knowledge of local Leicester affairs, nor do we wish to interfere or to have anything whatever to do with them, but we cannot but feel that there was every honest motive in Mr. Morris's defence of the 5 and 6 bell towers and no sense of injustice meant towards any other tower of higher numbers.

If other ringers of Mr. Morris' experience would only go about in the manner he did, we are sure the Exercise would benefit and more of the little-known places take greater interest in the art.

May we hope that you will be good enough to publish this in your valuable paper and allow us to thank you in anticipation for so doing?—Yours sincerely, F. CRYER (Captain).

For the Selby Abbey Ringers

[This correspondence is now closed.—Ed.]

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**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****DISTRICT FINANCES UNIFIED.**

On Saturday August 21st, the Clun District of the Hereford Guild held its quarterly meeting at Clunbury, when the six sweet-toned bells at the church were kindly placed at the disposal of the members by the Rev. A. D. Beavan, and were made good use of during the afternoon and evening, about 30 ringers attending from Bishop's Castle, Clun, Knighton, Ludlow, Clunbury, and Clunbury towers. After a splendid tea, kindly provided by Mrs. Meredith, the usual business meeting took place when the Ringing Master (the Rev. H. J. Scott) presided, and welcomed the members. The District Hon. Secretary (W. Mead) explained the result of a meeting of the district hon. secretaries held at Hereford, when certain decisions were agreed upon, so that each district would be worked on exactly the same lines. Two-thirds of their income could be used for district expenses, such as teas, postages, district secretary's expenses when summoned to meetings by the Guild Secretary, and the remaining one-third remitted to headquarters, with an audited balance sheet at the end of the year.

One ringing member was elected, one probationer from Clun and nine probationers from Clunbury.

Afterwards the members attended a short special evensong, when the Ringing Master officiated. Further ringing took place until nightfall, and some of the local men were got through their first six-scores of Doubles, which brought a successful meeting to a close.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

The annual meeting of the Preston Branch was held at St. James' Leyland, and was attended by about 50 members. Touches in Minor methods were rung special attention being given to the beginners of whom there was quite a muster. The business meeting was held in the school under the chairmanship of Mr. J. R. Taylor. The branch secretary was re-elected for two years, and Whittle-le-Woods and Broughton selected as the next meeting-places. Eight new members were elected, including a new band of seven from Parbold and one from Standish.

Congratulations were extended to the Chorley ringers on scoring their first local peal, this being suitably acknowledged by Mr. Lofthouse, of Chorley.—The business terminated with a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and local ringers for the use of the bells.

Tea was then partaken of, and before the members dispersed a vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. J. T. Miller the chief ringer of the local band, for his splendid arrangements. The bells were then again utilised, Kent, Oxford and Woodbine Treble Bob Cambridge Surprise, Stedman Doubles and Bob Minor being rung. Ringers were present from Standish, Chorley Whittle-le-Woods, Parbold, Aughton Ecclestone, Leyland Parish, Preston Samlesbury, Penwortham, and also visitors from Blackburn and Church Kirk.

**BLACKPOOL RINGER'S MEMORIAL.**

A memorial has been placed in St. John's Parish Church, Blackpool, to the memory of one of the local band who fell at Ypres in August, 1917. The tablet is of brass, and is of artistic design. It is mounted on a varnished light oak base, the frame being part of a bell frame from an old church, and bears the following inscription: 'This tablet was erected by the bell ringers of this church to the memory of Gunner John James Clitheroe R.F.A., 2nd W.L., who was killed in action at Ypres August 4th, 1917, aged 20 years. Greater love hath no man than this that he lay down his life for his friends.'

The tablet was dedicated by the Vicar, in the presence of ringers and friends of the deceased soldier.

After the unveiling ceremony, a short touch of Grandsire Triples was rung by the following members of the local band: J. Worthington 1 Miss Mary Crookall 2, L. Green 3, W. Wilkinson 4, W. Wild 5, J. Smith 6, T. D. Crookall (conductor) 7, J. Winter 8. Later, 1,008 Grandsire Triples were rung by: E. Howarth 1, — (Burton-on-Trent) 2, W. Wild 3, J. Smith 4, H. Hargreaves (Rawtenstall) 5, J. Rollerson (Rawtenstall) 6, J. W. Banks (Hellemshore), conductor, 7, Amos Tripier (Manchester) 8.

**DEATH OF BISHOP STEVENS.**

At the Parish Church of St. Giles and All Saints', Orsett, Essex, the tenor was tolled at the time of Bishop Stevens' funeral, and the flag on the tower was hoisted at half-mast, while in the evening the ringers rang the bells half-muffled in touches, and 'the whole pull and stand' 79 times, representing the deceased Bishop's age: S. Bridge 1, W. Harrod 2, H. Chinnery 3, B. Harrod 4, A. Keeling 5, J. C. Bridge 6.

The Bishop has been living at Orsett Rectory since Mrs. Stevens died, with the Rev. J. W. and Mrs. Eisdell, his son-in-law, and only daughter, and he was beloved by all. He will be missed very much at the services in Orsett Church, in which he was so keen in taking part.

Read 'FORTY AND TWO MONTHS,' by Rev. F. L. Edwards (secretary of Salisbury Guild), the much discussed prophecy explained: its recent fulfilment demonstrated. Eightpence, post free, from Kington Magna Rectory, Gillingham, Dorset.

**NOTICES.**

**INCREASED POSTAL RATES.**—Owing to the increase in the postal rates the charge for 'The Ringing World' sent by post will, in future, be 3s. per quarter; 12s. per annum.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, estab. 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Sept. 4th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—A Quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Kingswinford, Staffs, on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, which will be conducted by the Rev. A. H. Messiter (Vicar). Tea will be provided at 1/- each.—Herbert Sheppard, 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A district meeting will be held at Foxearth on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Short service, with address by Rev. H. S. Carpenter, at 4.30, followed by tea at the Club room, 1s. 3d. per head.—H. F. Cooper, District Master, 'Red Lion,' Stisted, near Braintree.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 4th, at St. Mark's, Glodwick. Bells ready at 3. Business meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is requested.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at Tamworth on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available at 3. Service in Church at 5.14, with an address by the Rev. K. G. Rosher, Vicar. Tea will be provided at 6. Reports will be distributed.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Ipswich District.—A meeting will be held at Hadleigh on Saturday, Sept. 4th. By kind permission of Dean Carter, the bells will be available from 2 p.m. All ringers welcome (especially those in the Sudbury Archdeaconry). Arrangements are being made for tea at a reasonable price.—E. Evans, 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A district meeting will be held at Selling on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5 o'clock; address by the Vicar. Will all members attending kindly study Treble Bob Methods for this occasion?—E. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at Baglan on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.45. Tea at Baglan Hall, 5.30. Members and ringing friends invited. Will those intending to be present at tea kindly advise Mrs. E. G., Bellringer, Church House, Baglan, Britton Ferry?—Chas. Morse, Sec., 2, Tycock Road, Sketty, Swansea.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The September meeting will be held at North Wingfield, on Saturday, September 4th. Eight bells from 3 o'clock. Tea will be provided at 1/6 per head.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—S. and W. District.—A meeting will be held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday,



Sept. 4th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m., followed by business meeting.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Saxmundham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Saxmundham on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available 4 to 8.30 p.m. Meeting at Angel Inn at 6 p.m. A good attendance is desired. — Geo. Wilson, 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Broughton-in-Furness on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells (8) available from 1 o'clock. Service at 4. Tea at 4.30. Meeting at 5.—W. Robinson, Hon. Sec., Church Street, Ambleside.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—A practice meeting will be held at Ringstead on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available from 4 o'clock.—J. Nickerson, District Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Staplehurst on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Tower open at 3. Service in church at 5. Tea (by kind invitation of the Rector) after service, followed by business meeting.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Bradford-on-Avon on Saturday, Sept. 4th, commencing at 3 p.m. (peal of eight bells). Business meeting 5.30 p.m.—Sydney G. Pepler, Hon. Branch Sec., Devizes Road, Hilpertown, near Trowbridge.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Sept. 16th and 30th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 7th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 14th; and \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 21st, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters. Members earnestly requested to attend St. Paul's meeting.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Hindley, on Saturday, 11th Sept. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Thurstaston (8 bells), on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Ringing from 2.30. Business meeting at 5.30.—H. E. Norman, Hon. Sec., 4, Berners St., Leicester.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch. The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, Sept. 11th, 1920. Bells ready at 3.30 o'clock. Meeting at 7. Business very important. A good attendance is requested.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Woodchurch on Saturday, Sept. 11th. The bells will be available for ringing from 3 p.m.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary, 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**OLDHAM AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Middleton on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells ready at 3 p.m.—J. Schofield, Hon. Sec., 12, Kersley Street, Oldham.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Thetford District.—A meeting will be held at Thetford on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock at 2s. each. All ringers are welcome. Those intending to be present please notify me not later than Wednesday, Sept. 8th.—T. Fitzjohn, Hon. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Nibley on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—A summer outing has been arranged for Saturday, Sept. 11th. Towers open for ringing: Slough, 2.30-3.30 p.m.; Curfew Tower, Windsor, 4-5 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Windsor Parish Church 6.30-7.45 p.m. Send your name by return so that you can get some tea. — A. D. Barker, Stoke Green, near Slough.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells available 3.15. Guild service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Tea will be arranged for all members and friends who notify by Tuesday, Sept. 7th.—Mrs. C. Hazelden, Joseph's Road, Guildford.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The Vicar of Cookham has kindly opened his tower, the church, and the King's Hall for the use of members and friends on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells available 2.30. Service at 5. Invitation tea at 6 p.m. Those intending to be present will send word to the Foreman, Mr. J. T. Fowler, Nightingale, Cookham, near Maidenhead.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting of the Association will be held at Tong on Saturday, Sept. 11th. The bells of the Parish Church (6) and St. Paul's, Drighlington, will be available. All applications for tea, for which a charge of 1s. per head will be made, must reach Mr. C. Galloway, 46, Cross Lane, Tong, Bradford, not later than Monday, Sept. 6th. Members are hereby reminded that subscription of 1s. 6d. for the current year must be paid prior to Sept. 30th if their peals are to be printed in the forthcoming report.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. General Sec. pro tem., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—District meeting at Wolverton on Saturday, Sept. 18. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting at 5. Motor leaves Basingstoke Station at 2.50, returning conveniently for all trains. Reduced fares to all members informing me a week beforehand. Re-opening of bells.—C. D. P. Davies, Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society) (Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 18th, at St. Leonard's, Streatham. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Conisbrough on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells (8) available from 3 to 8.



Short service at 5 p.m. Tea will be provided (1s. each) to those who notify Mr. M. C. Fowler, 26, North Cliffe Road, Conisbrough, near Rotherham, not later than Sept. 15th.—Arthur Hague, District Sec., 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Woolton on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells ready at 4. Service 5.30. Meeting at 6. Members intending being present please send word to the Secretary.—Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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## BELLS, CARILLONS, CLOCKS.

### BELL RESTORATION.

The proposed demolition of a number of churches in the City of London awoke a desire among ringers to save the towers and bells, if not the threatened buildings, and the Central Council at the Northampton meeting gave voice to the feeling which arose. In not all of these churches are the bells preserved in the best condition, and it is a matter of regret that similar neglect of the belfry is to be found in numerous other churches in the metropolis. This state of affairs is recalled by the letter of a correspondent who laments the condition of the bells of St. James', Bermondsey, which are now practically unringable. It is some years since these bells were pealable, and suggestions for their restoration seem to have fallen upon deaf ears. The case of Bermondsey has parallels in many places, and there is ample work for the bell-hanger, even in London. Although ringers rejoice to see the many restorations which are being carried out, it is regrettable that so many peals of bells remain the most neglected part of the churches in which they hang. The efforts of the ringing associations during the past thirty years have done a great deal to effect an improvement, but much might still to be done. One of the things which church authorities overlook is that bells, like any other machinery, get out of order by neglect; and there are few things in regard to which the old adage, 'a stitch in time saves nine,' is more applicable than to the preservation of bells.

In London there has been recent cause for gratification at the restoration of St. Clement Danes' bells, and the work at Westminster Abbey, where a peal in keeping with the dignity of the grand old church has been installed. But there are other churches, like Bermondsey, where it would be good to know something was being done to secure improvement. The great cost of present-day work is, of course, one deterring factor; but difficulties are only made to be overcome, and we should like to see some of the influential societies, which take London within their ambit, moving in the matter. Any step which adds another ringable peal of bells makes for the advance of the art, and is a valuable adjunct to the exercise. Sometimes the neglect of a belfry continues only for the want of a tactful appeal in the right quarter, for there are no church authorities who would deliberately desire to retain their bells in a state of dilapidation. If only the importance of giving the belfry proper attention were brought to their knowledge in the right way, it may be through the powers above, or through those who serve in more humble spheres, more might be done in many cases, although it is not to be denied there are still clergy who not only fail in their duty with regard to the belfry, but prefer the bells to remain silent.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.  
On Monday, August 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5147 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. 1	Treble	HENRY SMITH ... .. 6
HUBERT SCRIVENS ... .. 2		REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 7
GLEM PEARCE ... .. 3		HENRY FUSSELL ... .. 8
ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 4		FRANK COLE ... .. 9
EDMUND C. CHASTY ... .. 5		RUPERT SHARPE ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E.

† HARRY M. KEBBY ... .. 1	Treble	FREDERICK RICHARDSON ... 6
* CHARLES WINNER ... .. 2		* SGT. JAMES BENNETT, R.M. 7
* WILLIAM SPICE ... .. 3		HENRY T. WILSON ... .. 8
* FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 4		GEORGE E. WILSON ... .. 9
WILLIAM DUDLEY ... .. 5		WILLIAM HAIGH ... .. Tenor

Composed by FRED A. HOLDEN. Conducted by WILLIAM HAIGH.

† First peal. \* First peal of Royal and first attempt. First peal as conductor in the method and first attempt. The ringers of 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and Tenor came from Kent (Rochester District), the remainder belong to the local company. The ringer of the treble was made a non-resident life member of the above association previous to starting for the peal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, COSLANY,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 1	Treble	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5
MISS A. MAY DURRANT ... .. 2		ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 6
FREDK. KNIGHT ... .. 3		GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 7
BEN. S. THOMPSON ... .. 4		FREDK. H. KNIGHTS ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by GEO. H. CROSS.

This peal was rung as a birthday peal to Albert Rought on his 50th birthday. C. T. Coles' first peal of Oxford.

UFFORD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

JAMES MOTTS ... .. 1	Treble	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 5
* FRANK L. FISHER ... .. 2		CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 6
* GEORGE R. FINCH ... .. 3		CHARLES E. FISHER ... .. 7
CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 4		FREDERICK J. SMITH ... Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by J. MOTTS.

\* First peal in the method.

KNEBWORTH, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

* MRS. J. THOMAS ... .. 1	Treble	WILLIAM NASH ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2		JOHN T. KENTISH ... .. 6
CHARLES V. HARE ... .. 3		GEORGE FLETCHER ... .. 7
ALAN R. MACDONALD ... .. 4		JAMES BULLOCK ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal of Major. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.



## ERTH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 26, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

*DONALD HARVEY ... .. Treble	EDWARD J. ILOTT ... .. 5
JOHN WHEADON ... .. 2	HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... 3	FREDK. J. CULLUM, JUN. ... 7
ARTHUR J. MORTON ... .. 4	JOHN S. MORTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN.

\* First peal and first attempt.

## WORCESTER.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH AND THE CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

WILLIAM H. JOHNSON ... Treble	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 5
FRANCIS W. NEATE ... .. 2	ALBERT HILL ... .. 6
GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... 3	JOHN J. JEFFRIES ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by W. PAGE.

First peal in the method by all except Messrs. Jones and Page.  
First peal of Double Norwich ever rung in Worcester by a local band  
and the first peal in the method for the Cathedral Guild.

## ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE  
AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

*HERBERT STOW ... .. Treble	FREDERICK E. PARSONS ... 5
THOMAS BARTHOLOMEW ... 2	*WILLIAM T. PALMER ... .. 6
*ALFRED E. PARSONS ... .. 3	LEONARD W. JACQUES ... .. 7
*GEORGE HARDWICK ... .. 4	WILLIAM BENNETT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. W. JACQUES.

\* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the birth of a son  
and heir to the ringers of the 3rd.

## LENTON, NOTTINGHAM.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 8½ cwt.

FREDERICK S. PRICE ... Treble	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. 5
THOMAS H. KIRKBY ... .. 2	SAMUEL WESLEY ... .. 6
ALLAN HICKTON ... .. 3	JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 7
ALBERT COPPOCK ... .. 4	PERCY PRICE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

Rung in honour of the wedding of the Rev. C. J. Sturton, Vicar  
of Orston, Notts, and Miss Emmeline Bonser, of Hawksworth, the  
wedding having taken place at Hawksworth on August 25th.

## ST. LAURENCE, THANET.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' FIVE-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

*THOMAS W. SCOTT ... Treble	†WILLIAM J. JARMAN ... .. 5
GEORGE WILLSHIRE ... .. 2	RICHARD E. WILSON ... .. 6
*FRANK H. GIBBS ... .. 3	†ALBERT E. JARMAN ... .. 7
*WILLIAM G. BIRCH ... .. 4	*JOHN JARMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLSHIRE.

\* First peal. † First peal of Grandsire. First peal of Grandsire  
Triples on the bells. Messrs. Wilson and Willshire hail from Birch-  
ington, the rest are local ringers. Great credit is due to the tenor  
man, who is 68 years of age, as previous to the peal an attempt lasted  
1½ hours when a shift course occurred.

## TONBRIDGE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt.

T. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... Treble	HARRY HARRINGTON ... .. 5
JOHN WHEADON ... .. 2	WILLIAM COLLINSON ... .. 6
WILLIAM STEED ... .. 3	FREDERICK WHITE ... .. 7
GEORGE H. STONESTREET ... 4	HERBERT MARKWELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

## CURDRIDGE, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 25½ cwt. in D.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... Treble	ALFRED MEARS ... .. 5
WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... .. 2	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... 6
WALTER G. ROWE ... .. 3	ANDREW MEARS ... .. 7
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 4	RICHARD STONE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

## ST. NEOT'S, HUNTS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

ANNABLE'S.

Tenor 29 cwt, 2 qr. 13 lb.

MISS FREDA HAWKSFORD ... Treble	GEORGE D. COLEMAN ... .. 5
SAMUEL W. HAWKSFORD ... 2	HERBERT FIELDS ... .. 6
LOUIS J. FLINT ... .. 3	SYDNEY J. COLEMAN ... .. 7
SYDNEY J. PECK ... .. 4	CHARLES L. JONES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE D. COLEMAN.

First peal on the bells since their restoration.

## MARKET DRAYTON, SHROPSHIRE.

## THE SALOP AROHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt in F.

RICHARD T. HOLDING ... Treble	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 5
*WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 2	*EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... 6
HARRY F. HOLDING ... .. 3	WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... .. 7
SAMUEL WOOD ... .. 4	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by SAMUEL WOOD.

\* First peal of Kent. Mr. Wood joined the Salop Guild as a life  
member previous to starting the peal.

## HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

*DAN PHILLIPS ... Treble	REGINALD MARSHALL ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... .. 2	ARTHUR CHAPLIN ... .. 6
ARTHUR J. NEALE ... .. 3	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 7
JOHN DALE ... .. 4	FREDERICK FREESTONE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

\* First peal away from tenor. Messrs. Phillips and Pickett were  
elected members previous to starting. Rung, after meeting short for  
Treble Bob, as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Thomas Daynes,  
mother of the conductor, who was 81 years of age on the above date.

LONDON. — On Sunday, July 18th for evening service, at St.  
Ann's, Highgate, N. a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: E. Chapman  
1, R. E. Chappelle 2, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 3, F. G. Symonds 4. —  
Pryor 5, W. H. Pickett 6, R. Bevan 7, T. Bevan (first quarter-peal) 8. —  
On July 25th for evening service, at St. Giles', Camberwell, S.E.,  
1329 Stedman Caters: R. C. Chappelle 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor)  
2, J. W. Chapman 3, E. J. King 4, W. H. Joiner 5, W. H. Pickett 6,  
J. Attwater 7, G. Card 8, H. J. Gummer 9, H. V. Young 10. Rung as  
a birthday compliment to the conductor.

CAERPHILLY, GLAM.  
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
TAYLOR'S SIX-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. 0 qr. 1 lb.

PERCY JONES ... .. Treble	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 5
ARCHIE MORRIS ... .. 2	FRANK BOUCHER ... .. 6
WILLIAM DARE ... .. 3	ALBERT ADDICOTT ... .. 7
WILLIAM PIKE ... .. 4	THOMAS LOVE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. BOUCHER.

Rung as a wedding peal to the ringer of the third, and also as a birthday compliment to his wife. First peal of Triples as conductor.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

GEORGE BAILEY ... .. Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 2	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 6
GEORGE WILSON ... .. 3	CHARLES SAMPSON ... .. 7
JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 4	ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to C. Sampson.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. Treble	GEORGE WILSON ... .. 5
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 2	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 6
JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 3	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 7
* WILLIAM G. CRICKMER ... .. 4	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Monday, August 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 17½ cwt.

ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. Treble	* CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE ... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 6
R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... .. 7
JAMES E. GOFTON ... .. 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by T. T. GOFTON.

\* First peal in the method.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT ST. MARY'S, DEANE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE PINCOTT ... .. Treble	FRED ABBOTT ... .. 5
* TITUS BARLOW, JUN. ... .. 2	THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... .. 6
ROBERT ALLRED, SEN. ... .. 3	TITUS BARLOW, SEN. ... .. 7
* HAROLD ODDY ... .. 4	PETER CROOK ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS. Conducted by PETER CROOK.

\* First peal in the method. G. Pincott's 100th peal.

SLOUGH.—At St. Mary's Church for service, on August 1st, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 49 mins.: Miss G. Bateman 1 W. H. Russell 2, A. D. Barker 3, W. George Bedford (first in the method) 4, G. T. Leader 5, W. Henley 6, E. T. Hooper (conductor) 7, A. Perryman 8.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, September 4, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**  
Tenor 10½ cwt.

GEORGE HEWITT ... .. Treble	* GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 5
H. J. BALCOMBE ... .. 2	JOHN J. MAWBY ... .. 6
JAMES WARD ... .. 3	WALTER PERKINS ... .. 7
JAMES HOUGHTON ... .. 4	ANDERSON Y. TYLER ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by ANDERSON Y. TYLER.

\* First peal in the method. This was W. Perkin's 100th peal on these bells. Arranged for Mr. H. J. Balcombe of Hertford.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

FRANT, SUSSEX.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

In 2 methods, one of Canterbury Pleasure, and 6 of Plain Bob, called differently. Tenor 8 cwt.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, SEN. 4
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... .. 2	REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, JUN. 3	ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. J. LAMBERT, SEN.

Supposed to be the first peal on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Richard B. Lambert, who was elected a member before starting.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, August 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

RICHARD KILBY ... .. Treble	THOMAS LANGDON ... .. 4
CECIL RADDON ... .. 2	GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 5
THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 3	HARRY KILBY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY KILBY.

This peal was rung to celebrate the 70th birthday of the ringer of the treble. He has been connected with this tower for 48 years. It was arranged to start for Triples, but meeting short the peal had to result in the above.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

* PERCY E. CLARK ... .. Treble	GEORGE MORRAD ... .. 4
† REUBEN COPELIN ... .. 2	FREDERICK HAYES ... .. 5
JOHN BURLIS ... .. 3	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK M. MITCHELL.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal in seven methods and first peal for 15 years. Arranged for the ringer of the treble, who was on holiday, from Ealing, this being the 15th anniversary of his wedding at the above church.

HOUGH-ON-THE-HILL, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Single Court and Oxford Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

* REGINALD H. PARKER ... .. Treble	REGINALD SCOTT ... .. 4
JOHN H. HAYNES ... .. 2	JOSEPH LORD ... .. 5
WILLIAM G. THORPE ... .. 3	ARTHUR MACKEARS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. MACKEARS.

\* First peal. Rung in honour of the marriage of Miss E. Bonser, of Hawksworth, and the Rev. C. J. Sturton, Vicar of Orston, which took place at Hawksworth on Wednesday, August 25th.

ALVELEY, SALOP.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob,  
Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 11 cwt.

ERNEST J. BROOKS ... .. Treble	JOHN BASS ... .. 4
ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 2	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 3	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

First peal on the bells.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. A. T. MORRIS.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5038 CHANGES;**

A. MORRIS ... .. 1-2	T. BERNARD ... .. 5-6
G. THOMPSON ... .. 3-4	T. TAYLOR ... .. 7-8

Conducted by MR. A. MORRIS.

Umpire: MR. C. HAWE. Witness: MRS. A. MORRIS.

ARMLEY, LEEDS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT 10, MITFORD ROAD,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

MALCOLM MOORHOUSE ... 1-2	MISS E. K. PARKER ... .. 5-6
JOHN WM. MOORHOUSE ... 3-4	GERALD MOORHOUSE ... .. 7-8
MISS OLIVE L. LUMLEY ... 9-10	

Composed by W. R. SMITH. Conducted by J. W. MOORHOUSE.

LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, August 24, 1920, in Two Hours and One Minute,  
IN THE VESTRY OF ST. LAWRENCE'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 Six-scores.

*WILLIAM R. NASH ... .. 1-2	DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 3-4
*PERCY LANE ... .. 5-6	

Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

Witness: ARTHUR NASON.

\* First peal on handbells. First peal as conductor. First handbell peal ever rung in Ludlow, and first handbell peal of Doubles for the Guild.

ERPINGHAM NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. CHARLES NEWLAND,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

WILLIAM ROUGHT ... .. 1-2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 5-6
ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 3-4	CHARLES E. NEWLAND ... 7-8

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Umpires: Messrs. F. J. HOWCHIN and W. DUNCAN.

This composition is now rung for the first time.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT CHURCH VIEW, WOODSTON,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor, size 13½ in E flat.

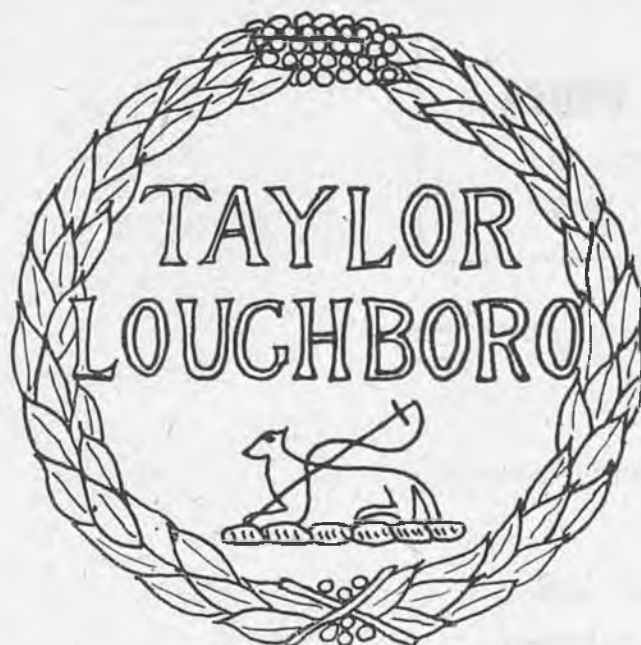
KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 1-2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	*PHYLLIS HARE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: T. TEBBUTT.

Witnesses: MR. and MRS. HARE and MISS PARKINS.

\* First peal 'in hand.'



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## THE PRESERVATION OF CONDUCTORS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I was much surprised to read the article in this week's 'Ringing World' by the Rev. E. Bankes James on 'The Preservation of Conductors,' for, were this principle accepted in general one is faced with a gloomy prospect in contemplating the position of the Exercise in the next generation. One question will suffice to explain my meaning: What happens to the Slopperton band when Old Bob makes the last long journey? Furthermore, it is a debatable point whether a bag of peals scored by one particular band and one particular conductor represent so much advancement to the art, except when other companies are fired with ambition by the example set; and, as sometimes happens, receive help from those who have fired that ambition.

I do not wish to detract from the merit of bands who hang together and make a big show; I raise my hat to merit wherever shown, but I wish to point out that really to benefit the art progress must not be accompanied by selfishness on the part of any individual or band, but must be instead accompanied with the policy of the 'open door,' and true spirit of brotherhood otherwise—but I think past history of noted bands itself gives the answer. On more than one occasion the death or removal of an 'indispensable' conductor has spelt ruination to the entire company, and the same remark applies to individual ringers. All the while one man is indispensable the existence of that company hangs by a thread, and surely the future of the Exercise is better served by a number of moderate men of average ability than by having to rely on a few super-men. Generally I notice such men can maintain their position without squeezing out those whose ambition may be as great without, perhaps, the same ability.—Yours faithfully,  
T. GROOMBRIDGE, Junr.

Dear Sir,—The letter from W. M. H. in your issue of August 1919 raises points that should receive the careful and thoughtful consideration of responsible officials of a belfry and the Exercise in general. The letter from the Rev. E. Bankes James seems to be a plea for the retention of a 'One Man Band.' The illustration of 'Old Bob' is certainly convincing if not convincing; while the analogy to the poultry yard can hardly be classed as refined or complimentary. If 'Old Bob' had been denied opportunities in the initial stages, would he have proved a success? Again, if 'Bob' left, what would happen?—the band stranded for the want of a conductor owing to the folly of curbing the legitimate desires of others who were anxious to improve themselves in the work they had undertaken. Mr. James bemoans the loss of a peal with an imaginary chorus of wails from the disappointed band. But surely, as a clergyman, he does not think the scoring of 'a bag of peals' of more consequence than ringing for Divine service—peal ringing is, or should be of secondary consideration. Mr. James admits the hardship on budding conductors, but offers no remedy: on the contrary he rather suggests they are a hindrance, because 'Old Bob' suffers from want of practice. If I may introduce a rather personal element, the tower I belong to has at least six members who can and have conducted peals. While, in ringing for services, there are others, in addition, who call and conduct touches. This, I suggest, creates an enthusiasm that is all to the good, and brings out that esprit de corps so essential in towers. The 'One Man Band' has been the cause of a good deal of friction; besides the 'bottling up' of bands where the monopoly of conducting was secured by one person with the consequent lack of keenness by others. Again, interest is strengthened when after 'pricking out a touch' at home an opportunity is given to bring it to fruition in the tower. One hesitates to criticise an authority like the Rev. E. Bankes James, but this bugbear of the 'one and only' should be scotched. It is not in my opinion, conducive to the good of the Exercise to confine conducting to any one person. Even if a peal is lost occasionally, it is far better to suffer that, than to jeopardise the enthusiasm and the keenness that is created when frequent changes are made in conducting.  
High Wycombe. G. T.

ST. JAMES', BERMONDSEY.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—As an old parishioner of Bermondsey, and a ringer of many years at St. James' Church, Jamaica Road I have used my best endeavours to persuade the authorities of this church to get the bells a peal of 10, repaired. For many years now they have remained totally unringable, broken wheels, bent, and rusty iron stays; covered with pigeon refuse—quite a deplorable sight to witness in the house of God! But my efforts have been to no purpose.

If all the authorities adopted the same principle bell ringing would go by the board. In nine cases out of ten, the bells are rung gratuitously; therefore, it would be creditable to the 'powers that be' to keep them in a ringable condition.

Bell ringing is now taught to a young beginner, and not 'picked up' promiscuously as I have experienced. We all know it is a long and tedious art to learn. Careful coaching should be imparted to the aspirant, and opportunities held out for him or her to embrace—(pardon, Mr. Editor, I am writing figuratively, not filially)—so that the 'superiority' so often exhibited in the belfry would be entirely eradicated, as pointed out in your Editorial of August 27th.—Yours faithfully,  
Bermondsey.

CHAS. WHITECOMBE.



### HAMPSHIRE CHURCH BELLS.

A small volume of some 116 pages has just been published by Messrs. Warren, of Winchester, on the church bells of Hampshire; and is a very valuable addition to the records of other church properties in the Winchester Diocese which have already appeared. We are indebted to the Rev. W. B. Colchester A.K.C., Rector of St. Maurice, Winchester, and hon. treasurer of the Winchester Diocesan Guild for this addition to the county works on bells. The book gives a record of 1416 bells, but omits small bells in mission churches which are generally of no antiquarian interest. Out of this 1416, the Isle of Wight contains 119, and these latter are reported on separately from notes supplied by Dr. J. L. Whitehead. This leaves 1,297 in Hampshire, and of these 98 are mediæval. The earliest dated bell (A.D. 1555) was found at Penton Mewsey. An interesting list of the number of bells cast for the county in each decade commencing 1580-90 down to 1900, and onwards, reveals the revival or decline of bell foundry's operations—largely dependent upon the religious life of the county, and of the country generally. A bell foundry probably never existed in Hampshire, and though there are evident traces of the productions of itinerant foundries, the main supplies appear to have come in from the fraternity attached to Chertsey Abbey (Surrey), Salisbury and London. Mr. Colchester deals with these sources briefly and refers us to other County Histories of Church Bells for further details, i.e. 'Surrey' and 'Kent' by Stahlshmidt, 'Dorset' by Dr. Raven, the 'Wiltshire Record Society', 'Essex' by Deedes and Walters, 'Sussex' by Tyssen and Walters' 'Church Bells of England.' Considering the size of the volume we are provided with a large number of illustrations of founders' medallions, marks, stops, initials, friezes and type letterings. Every one of these, 124 in all have been accurately drawn from rubbings, casts or photographs by Mr. Colchester and reproduced by the lithograph process. No blocks have been borrowed from other publishers of similar works. It is here that this Hampshire bells record excels. On the other hand, in the list of bells with inscriptions (pages 66-116) we find no weights given, not even those of tenor bells, no measurements or notes, and no records from Edward VI. Commissioners Lists of Church Furniture. The dedications of the parish churches might have been included; and in one or two instances the spelling of doggerel verses on some bells has been corrected, instead of being reproduced as cast; for example, the tenor at Fareham, and the second line of the verse on the Hamble treble. However, it must be remembered that the author was pressed to publish much earlier than he intended, and he generously admits that the records cannot be absolutely complete, while the omissions we have referred to may be due to the enormous extra cost of printing. Messrs. Warren of Winchester are the publishers. C. E. M.

### A SUFFOLK EXCURSION.

The following touches were rung in the course of a Sunday excursion on August 22nd:—

**POLSTEAD, SUFFOLK.**—For morning service, 360 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor: Chas. Robinson (Hadleigh, Suffolk) (treble); Frederick Powell (Ipswich). 2nd: Thomas Reed (Hadleigh). 3rd: Albert Catterwell (Little Horsham, Essex). 4th: Chas. J. Sedgley (Ipswich). 5th: Alfred Powell (Ipswich), conductor 6.

**STOKE-BY-NAYLAND, SUFFOLK.**—After Matins, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor: C. Robinson 1, F. Powell 2, A. Catterwell 3, T. Reed 4, C. J. Sedgley 5, A. Powell (conductor) 6. Weight of tenor 24 cwt. A very fine peal of six.

**NAYLAND, SUFFOLK.**—In the afternoon 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor: C. Robinson 1, F. Powell 2, C. J. Sedgley (conductor) 3, A. Catterwell 4, T. Reed 5, A. Powell 6. Also 360 of Double Court Bob Minor, conducted by C. J. Sedgley. Weight of tenor approximately 14 cwt.

**STRATFORD ST. MARY, SUFFOLK.**—For evening service, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor: F. Powell 1, T. Reed 2, A. Powell 3, A. Catterwell 4, Sidney Featherstone (Stratford St. Mary) 5, C. J. Sedgley (conductor) 6. Weight of tenor 16½ cwt. Also 360 of Double Court Bob Minor.

### EARL SOHAM RINGER'S DEATH.

On Tuesday, August 17th, there passed away one of the oldest ringers of Earl Soham Suffolk in the person of George Bails. Deceased, who was 58 years of age, commenced ringing in 1877, at the early age of 15 years on the old ring of five at Earl Soham. Those were the days when ringers rang their 120's of Grandsire by heart, and any variation from the usual course would bring down severe censure on the head of the offender. Deceased was the last of the veterans of this band and up to the time of his death had taken part in seven peals, all of Minor for the Norwich Association, which he joined in 1899. The last time he rang was on Christmas Day, 1919.

He will be greatly missed by all who knew him, and his usual remark before attempting a fresh method, 'Burr, I think I can ring it,' will be long remembered by all his fellow 'strings.'

On the day of his funeral half-muffled touches of Oxford Treble Bob and Double Court Bob Minor were rung by Messrs. L. C. and G. A. Wightman, C. Woodcock, H. Hall, R. Abbott, W. Miller, junr., S. Rogers, E. Jenkins and W. G. Crickmer (conductor).

### DEVON BELL RESTORATIONS.

The fine peal of 14 bells at St. Mary's Abbey, Buckfast, Devon, are now being restored in massive oak frames, with all new fittings, including patent adjustable bearings by the well-known firm, Messrs. W. Aggett and Sons, of Chagford. The largest bell when hung will be two tons in weight. The bells are to be erected in the new tower.

Messrs. Aggett hope to complete this year the restoration of the bells of Botus Fleming (Cornwall), a peal of six in massive iron frames, and new fittings; also Landulph (6), Cornwall; St. Budeaux (6), Poughill and Rockbeare.

### RINGER'S SUDDEN DEATH.

#### PASSING OF A WELL-KNOWN RUTLAND FIGURE.

We much regret to record the death of Mr. Richard Westbrook Baker, of Langham, Rutland, who passed away suddenly, on August 22nd while in bed. Deceased, who was 56 years of age, and of independent means, was a bachelor, and lived alone in one of his own houses. On Sunday, the 22nd ult., he failed to keep an appointment, and on entry being made to his house it was found that he had died in his bed. Deceased was highly esteemed in Rutland and was vice-chairman of the Oakham Board of Guardians and Rural District Council. At the inquest, which was held, the coroner recorded a verdict of 'death from natural causes.' The deceased was formerly a member of the Leicestershire Yeomanry, and served in the South African war.

Mr. J. J. Jackson, of Belton, writes:—The death of Mr. R. W. Baker, of Langham Rutland, will be severely felt by many in the Oakham area, but by ringers especially, as he was one of the pioneers and great personalities of the art locally, and always did his best to encourage good ringing, whether it be on five, six or eight bells. He could not often be persuaded to take a 'changing bell' on eight, but he was always willing to—as he termed it—'play the accompaniment'—this is, ring the tenor to Grandsire or Stedman Triples, and he did it right well, too, striking the heaviest bells with machine-like precision. The writer well remembers one of his achievements at Colston Bassett (one of the most beautiful peals in the country). The band consisted of two pairs of brothers, a father and son, and two oddments from Rutland. A peal of Stedman Triples was attempted with that accomplished ringer, the late Mr. A. P. Wakley, Burton-on-Trent conducting, and Mr. Baker on the tenor. When the peal (3,040 changes) had been in progress some two hours, it was noticed Mr. Baker was in great distress, with quite a pool of perspiration on the floor in front of him, that had dropped off his forehead, so the conductor asked him to hold on a few more minutes and he would call the bells round, which he did successfully, but, of course the peal was lost, as only about two-thirds of it had been completed. The bell was tried by other members of the band at the cessation of peal attempt, and the wonder was how Mr. Baker had stood it so long. It was found on examination the bell (23 cwt.) was binding on the sledge. Deceased was a member of the Midland Counties Association, and a vice-president of the Framland Society. His jovial personality endeared him to all, and he will be greatly missed by others besides his ringing colleagues.

At the funeral, the Rev. J. G. Pattison (Vicar) and Mr. Jackson (Belton) and Mr. R. H. Bartram (Melton Mowbray) represented the Midland Counties Association, the Framland Society and Belton St. Peter's Guild. Before and after the funeral the bells were rung muffled.

### NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Saxmundham District was held at Saxmundham on Saturday last to consider the holding of quarterly meetings, and to elect a district secretary in place of Mr. Fenton Thompson, who has resigned on account of age.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to him for his past services and on the proposition of Mr. F. Watling, seconded by Mr. C. Samson, Mr. George Wilson was unanimously elected hon. district secretary.—It was decided that the next meeting be held at Rendham, the secretary to arrange date.—The meeting also passed a resolution approving of the raising of the subscription to 2s. per annum.

Between thirty and forty members were present from Halesworth, Henham, Leiston, Saxmundham, Kelsale, Benhall, Rendham. The bells of the Parish Church, also those of Kelsale and Benhall were placed at the disposal of the members during the day when touches in the various standard methods were rung.

**STOKE POGES.**—On Sunday, July 18th, at St. Giles' Church, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: C. C. Mayne 1, Gladys E. Bateman 2, A. B. Barker (conductor) 3, W. H. Fussell 4, W. Henley 5, W. Welling 6. First 720 Cambridge on the bells.

**SHARNFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.**—On August 5th, 1920 Bob Minor, in 1 hour and 9 mins.: H. Wood 1, Geo. Wood 2, C. Briggs 3, H. Webb 4, J. Clarke 5, H. Briggs (conductor) 6.

**NEWMARKET.**—On Sunday August 8th, for morning service, at All Saints' Church, 1920 Bob Major in 1 hour 10 mins.: T. Taylor 1, R. Lathbury 2, S. Forward 3, Dick Fordham 4, R. Sharpe 5, P. Fordham 6, H. Stannard 7, P. Pinder (conductor) 8.

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**DEATH OF MR. J. BLACKBURN.****RINGING CONTESTS RECALLED.**

By the death of Mr. John Blackburn, of 4, Cullingworth Street, Staincliffe, Batley, at the age of 73 years another of the old band of Dewsbury handbell ringers has passed away. He was a member for a good many years, and assisted in winning the first prize at the Belle Vue contest on four occasions. He was also a well-known change ringer, being a member of the Batley Carr Parish Church band for upwards of twenty years. He took part in many change ringing contests. He was one of the band who won the Heavy Woolen District Challenge Cup the first time on six bells at Sandal on September 8th, 1894, the ringers being J. H. Scott, S. Mitchell, George Crawshaw, J. Blackburn, George H. Simon, and Joe Ruddlesden. He also was one of the band which was successful at Tong a few years later, while at Batley Carr Church belfry on January 25th, 1890, he took part in a 5040 of Minor in fourteen different methods. He was also a member of the Batley Parish Church band for about ten years, and during this period he was one of the company to win the Halifax District Challenge Cup at Mytholmroyd, also coming second a year later at Tong. His ringing career finished at the end of 1914. Some of his old colleagues paid their last respects at the interment at Batley Cemetery.

**WYMONDHAM RINGING MASTER'S DEATH.**

For many years the Ringing Master of the Wymondham company, Mr. John Wyner, has passed away, and on Saturday, after the funeral, a muffled peal of Kent Treble Bob Major was rung in his memory, preceded by 288 Stedman Triples, in which Mr. A. G. Warnes took part.

The memory of 'Jack' will long remain with those who knew him well and shared his friendship, and his early decease is greatly deplored.

**WOKINGHAM RINGER'S DEATH.**

The death took place at the Royal Berkshire Hospital on Wednesday of last week of Mr. Samuel Price, for many years 'foreman' at All Saints' Church, Wokingham, and a member of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. The deceased was 64 years of age.

He was interred at Wokingham on Saturday last.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****NORTHERN DISTRICT.**

A very pleasant and successful meeting of the Northern District was held at All Hallows', Tottenham, on Saturday, August 21st, about 30 members putting in an appearance. Good use was made of this very fine old peal of bells, the methods rung being Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich and Suppletive Surprise.

At the business meeting held in the tower, presided over by the District Master one new member was elected, viz.: Mr. Albert D. Oulim, of Reading.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the victor for the use of the bells, and to Mr. Barnett for having everything in readiness.

After the meeting, further touches were brought round, and concluded a most enjoyable gathering.

**PUBLICATIONS.**

'AMONG THE BELLS.'—THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I. to XX. complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

Read 'FORTY AND TWO MONTHS,' by Rev. F. L. Edwards (secretary of Salisbury Guild), the much discussed prophecy explained: its recent fulfilment demonstrated. Eightpence, post free, from Kingston Magna Rectory, Gillingham, Dorset.

**HILLINGDON.**—On Sunday, August 8th, at St. Andrew's Church, 1260 Grandsire Triples: J. Peddle 1, P. E. Jones 2, Gladys E. Bateman 3, C. G. Mayne 4, E. Hancock 5, A. D. Barker 6, E. T. Hooper (conductor) 7, R. Carter 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

**BURY ST. EDMUNDS.**—Ely Diocesan Association.—At St. Mary's Church, on August 12th, 504 Grandsire Triples: A. Hammond (conductor) 1, H. Smith 2, P. Levitt 3, J. Chinery 4, H. R. Moore 5, F. Hunt (Luton) 6, R. S. Long 7, H. Lomax 8.

**NOTICES.**

**INCREASED POSTAL RATES.**—Owing to the increase in the postal rates the charge for 'The Ringing World' sent by post will, in future, be 3s. per quarter; 12s. per annum.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Hindley, on Saturday, 11th Sept. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Thurcaston (8 bells), on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Ringing from 2.30. Business meeting at 5.30.—H. E. Norman, Hon. Sec., 4, Berners St., Leicester.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, Sept. 11th, 1920. Bells ready at 3.30 o'clock. Meeting at 7. Business very important. A good attendance is requested.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary, 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**OLDHAM AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Middleton on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells ready at 3 p.m.—J. Schofield, Hon. Sec., 12, Kersley Street, Oldham.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Thetford District.—A meeting will be held at Thetford on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock at 2s. each. All ringers are welcome.—T. Fitzjohn, Hon. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Nibley on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—A summer outing has been arranged for Saturday, Sept. 11th. Towers open for ringing: Slough, 2.30-3.30 p.m.; Curfew Tower, Windsor, 4.5 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Windsor Parish Church 6.30-7.45 p.m.—A. D. Parker, Stoke Green, near Slough.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells available 3.15. Guild service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.—Mrs. C. Hazelden, Joseph's Road, Guildford.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The Vicar of Cookham has kindly opened his tower, the church, and the King's Hall for the use of members and friends on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells available 2.30. Service at 5. Invitation tea at 6 p.m. Those intending to be present will send word to the Foreman, Mr. J. T. Fowler, Nightingale, Cookham, near Maidenhead.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting of the Association will be held at Tong on Saturday, Sept. 11th. The bells of the Parish Church (6) and St. Paul's, Drighlington, will be available. Members are hereby reminded that subscription of 1s. 6d. for the current year

must be paid prior to Sept. 30th if their peals are to be printed in the forthcoming report.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. General Sec. pro tem., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Sept. 16th and 30th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 14th; and \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 21st, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—District meeting at Wolverton on Saturday, Sept. 18. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting at 5. Motor leaves Basingstoke Station at 2.50, returning conveniently for all trains. Reduced fares to all members informing me a week beforehand. Re-opening of bells. — C. D. P. Davies, Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society) (Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 18th, at St. Leonard's, Streatham. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. — F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Conisbrough on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells (8) available from 3 to 8. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea will be provided (1s. each) to those who notify Mr. M. C. Fowler, 26, North Cliffe Road, Conisbrough, near Rotherham, not later than Sept. 15th.—Arthur Hague, District Sec., 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Woolton on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells ready at 4. Service 5.30. Meeting at 6. Members intending being present please send word to the Secretary.—Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A monthly meeting will be held at Dunchurch on Saturday, September 18th. Bells (6) available from 3 o'clock.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The September meeting will be held at Saltburn-by-the-Sea on Saturday, 18th. Bells, 8 (tenor 23 cwt.), have been placed at the disposal of the ringers by the kind permission of Archdeacon Lindsey. Tea at Wilson's Cafe, 1/- each. Those intending to be present please notify the Hon. Sec. not later than Tuesday, 14th. All friends and ringers kindly invited.—T. Metcalfe, 26, High Street, North Ormesby.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Milton Abbey on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells (8), also Hilton and Puddletown (6), from 2 p.m. Guild service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Bath on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Ringing at St. Mark's (near the station) from 2.30. Service at 4 o'clock, followed by tea and business meeting. The bells of St. Andrew's and St. Michael's will also be open for use during the evening. Will those who require tea please notify me not later than Monday, Sept. 13th? All ringers

welcome.—Edith Smith, 12, Auburn Road, Redland, Bristol.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Weston-super-Mare on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells available all the afternoon. Tea at Glass's Restaurant at 4 p.m., business meeting to follow. Service at 5.30.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Chesterfield on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Belfry open 2 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock, to be arranged by Mr. A. Knights, 32, Higher Albert Street, Chesterfield, for those who advise him by the 15th. General meeting to follow. Committee meeting 4 o'clock, at place to be notified in belfry. Will District Hon. Secs. please meet me 3.45 at committee room?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A District meeting will be held at Tring on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Tea will be obtainable, but cannot be guaranteed unless notification is sent me by Wednesday, Sept. 15th.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec., Western Division, 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly meeting Saturday, Sept. 18th. Tuxford bells (6) available from 2 till 8.30. Tea to members 2/- per head, non-members 2/9, at Mrs. Rushby's, Market Place, Tuxford, for all those who notify Mr. R. Weeds, 35, Newcastle Street, Tuxford, Newark, not later than Sept. 15th. Visitors welcome.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Royston on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells available from 4 to 9. All ringers welcome.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Gt. Waldingfield, 3½ miles east of Sudbury, on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells ready 2.40. Tea 4.30, 1/6 per head, those who intend to be present kindly let me know by the 11th.—A. Symonds, District Sec., Lavenham.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Welden on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells ready at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.—David J. Nichols, Gen. Sec., 3, York Road, Kettering.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Yeovil on Sept. 18th. Service 4.45. Tea at Dade's Restaurant at 5.30.—F. Farrant, Branch Sec., Martock.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells at 3. All ringers welcome.—A. E. Sharman, District Sec., 278, High Street, Dunstable.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A by-meeting will be held at Northfleet, where the old six have recently been rehung and two new trebles added, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available at 3. All ringers welcome.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Please notify me on or before Sept. 17th how many intend to be present from your tower.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.



**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at Boughton Monchelsea on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 4.30 at the Vicarage, business meeting after. Service at 6 p.m. All intending to be present please let me know not later than Tuesday, Sept. 21st.—Stephen Hazzelden, Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northern Branch.—The Annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at Gainsborough on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available afternoon and evening. Service at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided free to those members whose subscriptions are paid for current year; non-members and friends at 2/6 per head. Will those desiring tea please let Mr. F. S. Butler, 6, Spital Terrace, know on or before Monday, Sept. 20th, as only those doing so can be provided for?—J. W. Seamer, Hon. Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

**UPTON-CUM-CHALVEY.**—On Sunday, August 1st, at St. Mary's. 1260 Stedman Triples: Gladys E. Bateman 1, W. H. Fussell 2, A. Barker 3, W. G. Bedford 4, G. T. Leader 5, W. Henley 6, E. T. Hooper (conductor) 7, A. Perryman 8. First quarter of Stedman by ringer 4th.

**WIGSTON.**—At All Saints' Church, on August 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (muffled), in 46 mins., as a token of respect to the wife of Mr. W. H. Sharpe; T. Humberstone 1, A. H. Bell 2, A. Roe 3, J. E. Clarke 4, W. H. Humberstone (conductor) 5, E. Jelly 6, H. Brown 7, J. Carter 8. Mr. Sharpe was for some years churchwarden at the above church.

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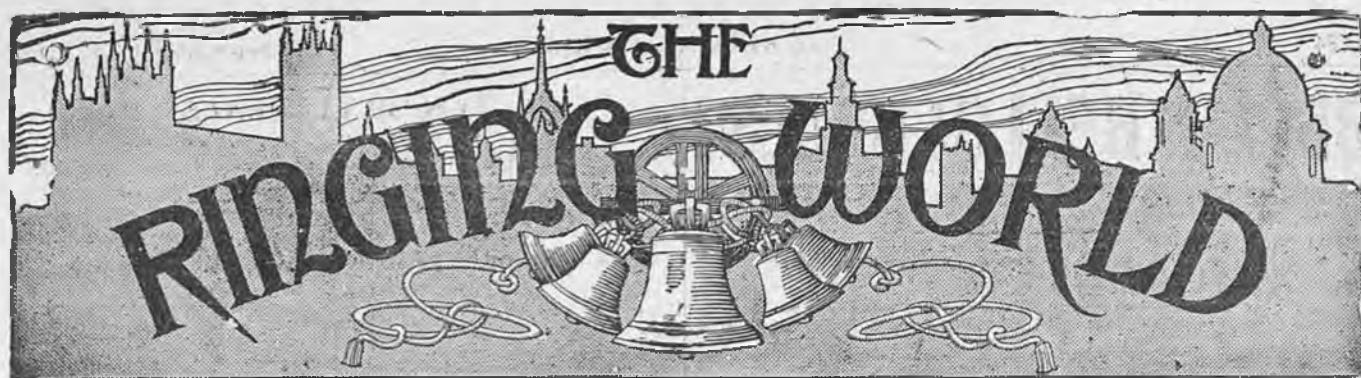
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### THE MAKING OF THE CONDUCTOR.

The recent article upon the encouragement of young conductors has opened up a subject which, apparently, is one of close interest to many ringers. The defence of the monopoly of the old conductor by no less an authority than the Rev. E. Banks James has promptly brought replies from among those who challenge the attitude he takes up, and knowing, as we do, that Mr. James is ever ready to break from tradition when to depart from it means progress, we are almost inclined to think that his letter on the 'preservation of conductors' was but a sally aimed to draw discussion. For Mr. James, in view of all he has done to encourage 'the young idea,' would be the last to place obstacles in the way of any aspirant to honours in the higher spheres of the art.

Conductors, it is sometimes said, are born, not made; but it is astonishing what a degree of success a man may attain to if he is given the opportunity to practise, even though he be not a genius. There are many ringers, perhaps the majority, who have no aspirations in the direction of conducting, but if the art of ringing is to retain its standard we must look to the future, as well as to the present, and for this reason alone the young conductor should be encouraged. There is nothing like conducting, as distinguished from bob calling, to encourage a man to become master of a method, and yet there is little inducement or, indeed, possibility of acquiring ability in this direction, unless a ringer becomes a bob caller. It is the responsibility of calling the bobs and keeping the bells right which brings out the talent of the real conductor. Only a man of genius can reverse this order of things—one brilliant example was the late Mr. Ernest Pye. His peals as conductor could be counted almost, if not quite, on the fingers of one hand, and yet a no more skilful 'conductor' ever entered a belfry.

But what we have to do in these days is not only to encourage the man of genius—his ability will show itself in spite of repression—but to find opportunities for the man of average capacity to fit himself to take the place of the 'Old Bobs' of the present. The days when the beginner at ringing has to sit in the belfry for many long and weary evenings and see the others ring have passed, and so, we hope, have the days when, year in and year out, 'Old Bob' so steadily guards his preserves that the would-be conductor is carefully kept out in the cold. A conductorship should not be looked upon as a freehold for an individual, but the opportunities should be open to all to seek them. The encouragement of the young man need not mean the displacement of the old, but it does mean assuring the future of the Exercise, and it is in this light that the question should be viewed.

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND.

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 6
WILLIAM PYE ... .. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 8
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 4	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 9
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 5	DALBY HODGSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

BIRCHINGTON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Sept. 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes, AT THE WATERLOO TOWER, QUEX PARK.

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERPS, 5003 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

GEORGE WILLSHIRE ... .. Treble	† RICHARD E. WILSON ... .. 6
HENRY T. WILSON ... .. 2	† ALBERT E. JARMAN ... .. 7
† CHARLES P. CHALKE ... .. 3	† WILLIAM J. JARMAN ... .. 8
WILLIAM DUDLEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. JODD ... .. 9
GEORGE E. WILSON ... .. 5	* PERCY FINCH ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. M. FARDON. Conducted by W. H. JODD.

\* First peal. † First peal on 10 bells. Ringers of 2, 3, 4, 5 and 9 are from Prittlewell, the rest belong to Thanet.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, Sept. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

### A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5043 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lbs.

JOHN W. WOOD ... .. Treble	GEORGE LADD ... .. 6
FRED WILFORD ... .. 2	JOHN W. LAKE ... .. 7
GEORGE HOLLIS ... .. 3	ARTHUR I. HOLMES ... .. 8
KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 4	JAMES OSBORN ... .. 9
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5	1/SGT. F. A. HOLDEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

DERBY.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

LINDOFF'S NINE-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE W. BRAME ... .. Treble	ERNEST H. CLARKE ... .. 5
WILFRED H. BOXTON ... .. 2	WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... .. 6
ARTHUR J. ORGILL ... .. 3	GEORGE FREEBREY ... .. 7
CHARLES DRAPER ... .. 4	GEORGE F. LEE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE FREEBREY.

This composition is now rung for the first time.

TROWBRIDGE, WILTSHIRE.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART

MRS. RAYMOND J. WILKINS Treble	HORACE TAYLOR ... .. 5
THOMAS HODSFLESH ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT ... .. 6
RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... .. 3	THOMAS F. KING ... .. 7
SIDNEY HILLIER ... .. 4	WILLIAM BAXTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT.

Mrs. Wilkins was made a member before starting. This peal was specially arranged for Mr. G. H. Harding on his marriage, it was also a birthday compliment to him.



## WOOLWICH, KENT.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 2	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE R. PYE. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

This composition has the 6th the extent at home at twelve course ends. E. F. Pike's rooth peal.

## WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Treble	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 5
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. 2	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... .. 6
WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 3	FRANK R. COPEMAN ... .. 7
WALTER CHANDLER ... .. 4	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEO. H. CROSS.

This peal was rung with half-muffled clappers as a last token of respect to the late John Wymer, who was interred on this date.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 25½ cwt.

ALBERT D. STONE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SHIMMANS ... .. 5
JOHN P. KENT ... .. 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 6
CHARLES PALMER ... .. 3	KEITH HART ... .. 7
ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 4	JOSEPH WREN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

Messrs. Kent and Shimmans were elected previous to starting.

## BEDDINGTON, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E flat.

JAMES RUMBLE ... .. Treble	JAMES TRAPPITT ... .. 5
HERBERT SKELT ... .. 2	ALFRED TRAPPITT ... .. 6
THOMAS TALBOT ... .. 3	AMOS W. CLARK ... .. 7
DAVID WRIGHT ... .. 4	WILLIAM GROVES ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by AMOS W. CLARK.

## SHOREHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

HENRY STALHAM ... .. Treble	EDMUND H. LINDUP ... .. 5
BERT CHALLEN ... .. 2	JOHN JAY ... .. 6
ALFRED W. GROVES ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. CRIPPS ... .. 7
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY DAINS. Conducted by F. BENNETT.

ISLEWORTH.—On August 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. E. Etherington 1, A. Beckensale 2, T. Beadle 3, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 4, F. E. Cole 5, G. Spencer 6, A. Harding 7, W. J. Dickens 8.—On July 26th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Lidbetter 1, C. J. Tricker 2, Mrs. C. H. Dobbie 3, C. H. Dobbie 4, F. E. Cole 5, G. Spencer 6, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 7, A. Harding 8.—On June 27th, a quarter-peal in the same method: Mrs. C. H. Dobbie 1, C. J. Tricker 2, W. Lidbetter 3, J. Rootes 4, A. Harding 5, C. H. Dobbie 6, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 7, T. Beadle 8.

## WALDRON, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

*WILLIAM H. WHITE ... .. Treble	ROBERT J. DAWE ... .. 5
WILLIAM PALMER ... .. 2	WILFRED BOOTH ... .. 6
ALBERT HOBDEN ... .. 3	ALBERT REID ... .. 7
HERBERT RANN ... .. 4	WILLIAM JENNER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT REID.

\* First peal on eight bells. H. Rann's rooth peal.

## EYNSFORD.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 12 cwt.

REGINALD D. MARSHALL ... Treble	RICHARD A. RICHES ... .. 5
*DAVID F. WARD ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. DAYNES ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... .. 3	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 7
JAMES FORD ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. BILLING ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

\* First peal. W. J. Wheadon hails from Dartford, J. Ford from Chislehurst, the rest belong to St. Nicholas Society, Deptford.

## ST. LAWRENCE THANET.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

WILLIAM H. JUDD ... .. Treble	RICHARD E. WILSON ... .. 5
CHARLES P. CHALKE ... .. 2	WILLIAM DUDLEY ... .. 6
HENRY T. WILSON ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. JARMAN ... .. 7
ALBERT E. JARMAN ... .. 4	GEORGE E. WILSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN. Conducted by H. T. WILSON.

First peal of Major on the bells. Mr. Chalke was elected a member of the Association previous to starting.

## ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Sept. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

HERBERT C. SPENCER ... Treble	ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. 5
JONATHAN PRESTON ... .. 2	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... .. 6
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 3	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 7
THOMAS H. REEVES ... .. 4	GEORGE F. GARRISON ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

Rung to celebrate the marriage of Mr. H. G. Onions to Miss M. M. Swann (only sister of the conductor), which took place at St. Thomas' Abbey Church on Sept. 1st; also to celebrate the births of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Reeves, and a son to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pemberton, and as a birthday compliment to the ringers of treble, 3rd and 6th.

## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Sept. 5, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 5
JOHN RICE ... .. 2	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 6
FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 3	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... .. 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

This peal was rung on a new set of ropes, presented to the Crawley Society by Mr. E. Dewey, of Earlswood, in memory of his son, who died while on active service.

## FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Sept. 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

ALFRED H. WATSON ... .. Treble	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 5
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. 2	ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 6
W. E. MAULDEN ... .. 3	WILLIAM G. CRICKMER ... .. 7
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. HOPGOOD. Conducted by W. G. CRICKMER.  
C.C. Collection No. 161.

## ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Sept. 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S No. 1. Tenor 17 cwt. 9 lb.

ALBERT H. WARD ... .. Treble	JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 5
EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. 2	HENRY GEORGE ... .. 6
FREDERICK S. PRICE ... .. 3	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 7
*WILLIAM A. JAMES ... .. 4	HENRY HARRISON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

\* First peal. This peal was rung to welcome home, after his long illness, the Rev. A. W. Bell. This is the first peal in which two James Georges have taken part.

## LONDON.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes.

At the Church of St. Giles-in-the-Fields,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. ... Treble	ALAN R. MACDONALD ... 5
*HARRY DYAS ... .. 2	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 6
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 3	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 7
†CHARLES A. HUGHES ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by C. T. COLES.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Kent Major.

## TARLETON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in F sharp.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... Treble	WILLIAM RIMMER ... .. 5
JAMES MARSH ... .. 2	JOHN GARDNER ... .. 6
E. ROGER MARTIN ... .. 3	*ALEC MARTIN ... .. 7
*JAMES TAYLOR ... .. 4	EDWARD ARMSTRONG ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by B. A. KNIGHTS.

First peal of Major on the bells. First peal in the method with Bob bell.

## DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes.

At the Church of St. Alkmund,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

SAMUEL WESLEY ... .. Treble	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 5
HENRY LETTS ... .. 2	JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 6
ALLAN HICKTON ... .. 3	*JOHN FLOWER ... .. 7
ALBERT H. WARD ... .. 4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

\* 100th peal. Three peals were arranged for the two Mr. James Georges, but one was lost at Ripley through a rope breaking after 1 hour and 15 minutes, four Mr. Georges taking part in the attempt.

Owing to the report having been sent by two separate correspondents, the handbell peal rung at Harwich on August 18th has been recorded twice.

## REIGATE, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes.

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

FREDERICK W. RICE ... Treble	WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN. 5
HENRY F. EWINS ... .. 2	JOHN WHITE ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
DAVID WRIGHT ... .. 4	GEORGE F. HOAD ... .. Tenor

Composed by FRED ROBINSON.

Conducted by GEORGE F. HOAD.

Rung after meeting short for Royal.

## DUNSTABLE, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes.

At the Priory Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

CANON W. W. C. BAKER ... Treble	THOMAS BLACKBURNE ... 5
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 2	ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... 6
MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 3	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 7
*JOHN CHANCE ... .. 4	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDÖFF.

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

\* First peal of Double Norwich.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## LANGHAM, RUTLAND.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

(BELTON, St. Peter's Guild),

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

J. R. BARTRAM ... .. Treble	H. KENDALL ... .. 4
J. H. CHURCHILL ... .. 2	A. BUZZARD ... .. 5
J. GROCOCK ... .. 3	R. H. BARTRAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by R. H. BARTRAM.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of the late Mr. R. W. Baker, member of the M.C.A., Vice-President of the Framland Society, hon. member of Belton, St. Peter's, Guild, and captain of the Langham ringers. Ringers of 1 and 6 belong to Melton Mowbray, the rest to Belton, Rutland.

## LLANELLY, BRECONSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, August 29, 1920, in Three Hours.

At the Church of St. Jelli,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Canterbury, two Grandsire, and three Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt.

ALFRED RACKHAM ... .. Treble	*JAMES P. HYETT ... .. 4
JOHN H. RACKHAM ... .. 2	*ALEC R. RACKHAM ... .. 5
SIDNEY T. RACKHAM ... .. 3	CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor in three methods on the bells. Rung in honour of the unveiling of the memorial window to the 18 men of the parish who gave their lives for King and Country.

## WOODSTON.

## THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes.

At the Church of St. Augustine,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of two 520's of St. Clement's Bob, and two 520's of Plain Bob, each called differently.

*W. BEETON ... .. Treble	MISS F. CULPIN ... .. 4
MISS A. PARKINS ... .. 2	*C. H. HOARE ... .. 5
MISS P. HARE ... .. 3	H. HOARE, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. HOARE, JUN.

\* First peal. First peal in two methods by a Woodston band. Owing to bad lighting arrangements credit is due to all concerned for bringing the peal to a successful finish.

**BUXTON LAMMAS, NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Sept. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Bob Minor. Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM B. DUNCAN... ..Treble	ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 4
FREDERICK KNIGHTS ... .. 2	FREDERICK H. KNIGHTS ... 5
JOHN MOY ... .. 3	CHARLES E. BORRETT... ..Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. BORRETT.

**SHOULDHAM, NORFOLK.**  
**THE STOW AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Sept. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 2,520 changes each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

TONY PRICE ... ..Treble	TOM GREENACRE ... .. 4
ALFRED BACON ... .. 2	OLIVER STAINES ... .. 5
WILLIAM MITCHELL ... .. 3	JOSEPH E. SYKES... ..Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

Master Tony Price is the son of the Vicar of Shouldham, and is only 14 years old. Great credit is due to him for the way he rang as he only started to handle a bell at Easter this year. This was his first attempt for a peal, and he had previously only rung three 720's of Plain Bob and 500 of Treble Bob. The band wish to thank the Vicar and Mrs. Price for the interest they took in the peal.

**FULHAM.**—At All Saints' Church on August 8th 1320 Kent Treble Bob Royal: J. W. Driver 1, W. H. Hollier 2, W. H. Woods 3, A. Cutmore 4, G. Iles 5, G. Fardon 6, F. Skevington 7, A. W. Coles, A. Harding 9, C. Charge (composer and conductor) 10.—On June 27th. 1320 Kent Treble Bob Royal: W. J. Troughton 1, A. Cutmore 2, A. Darlington 3, W. H. Hollier 4, G. Iles 5, F. Skevington 6, J. W. Driver 7, A. Harding 8, W. H. Wood 9, C. Charge (conductor) 10.

**THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sunday, Sept. 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE KEMP ... ..Treble	ALPHAEUS BERRY ... .. 4
EDWARD YOUNGS ... .. 2	WILLIAM ROSE ... .. 5
GEORGE CATTERMOLLE ... 3	LEONARD LAST ... ..Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. John Taylor, of Weston, near Bath (formerly of Thornham Hall). It was through the deceased gentleman's generosity that the bells of the above church were re-hung and augmented to six.

**A NEW STEDMAN METHOD.**

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I should be pleased if you will kindly publish the following composition of Triples which I have worked out at the risk of criticism from the experts. I do not think it is too difficult for a fairly good band to ring, and it is no doubt interesting. The sixes are Stedman sixes, quick sixes only when treble is in 4-5 up and down. Plain Course 5040 Triples.

by six-ends.  
 1234567

1234567

2416375  
 2467153  
 4725631  
 7543216

abcd 1723456  
 \*dbc 1724356  
 cadb 1562347

Repeat twice.

Repeat these 12 courses 9 times, substituting b for the 3 courses marked \* in the 5th, and d b a b c in the 10th parts. There are never more than 2 consecutive calls.

a 1 2 S5 7  
 b 1 S5  
 c 1 2  
 d 1 7  
 Bobs made as in Stedman. Singles made in the middle of a six, by the bells in 6-7 lying one blow.

A. J. PITMAN, Port Talbot.



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### OUR NUMBER.

Will correspondents please note that the address of 'The Ringing World' is now 63, Commercial Road, instead of No. 9? The office has not been moved; it is the local Council that has been moved—to re-number the road.

### ROYAL CUMBERLAND'S MEMBERSHIP.

It is extremely interesting to learn that the latest membership number issued by the Royal Cumberland Youths is 2,900.

### THE PRESERVATION OF CONDUCTORS.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Kindly grant me space to express my views upon the above subject, as it is one in which I have always interested myself. I may say that my views are in opposition to those expressed by Mr. James.

I have always been strongly in favour of supporting the young conductor, and not damp the young ringer's enthusiasm by not giving him a chance of calling.

By giving him such opportunities it encourages a young ringer to prick and learn that part of ringing which he otherwise would know nothing about, and this in turn teaches him more about 'coursing order' and such like, and in the end helps him to become more efficient in method ringing.

Mr. James' argument about 'Old Bob' with Harry and Ben is like using a sieve to carry water, for if Old Bob had given Harry and Ben as much practice in calling as the latter had given Old Bob, it might have proved that both the youngsters were better conductors than the old man. I have seen six Surprise ringers in a band of eight, who, after ringing a dozen rounds, found that neither could call a touch of Grandsire, so little did they know about calling, and one of the onlookers in the belfry had to call the 'bobs' for them. This was simply because neither of them had ever been encouraged in calling, the first step towards becoming a good conductor. Would not Mr. James have felt very small had he been one of the men who had been so little encouraged?

I agree that conductors require practice, but this should, as far as possible, be distributed, and not be as Mr. James suggests, that the conductor of a band monopolise that position the whole of his life.

I personally do not aspire to such a position, but none the more, I consider I have a right to call when I desire to do so, after consulting the 'Master' of the company to which I belong.

I certainly am in favour of giving all the band or, at any rate those who have the ambition, the practice of calling so that when Old Bob can no longer take his rope Ben and Harry are ready to call from Minor to Maximus or Plain Bob to Cambridge, and if the band suffer the loss of either going away, Bill and Ted are equal to the occasion, and are capable of calling a touch or peal in any method.

I do not know but perhaps Mr. James is the so-called conductor of his company, and is satisfied with the position he monopolises, but I not. Old Bob, no doubt in consideration of the position Mr. James holds in the ringing world asks him to call now and again while the remainder of the band have to be satisfied with knowing that as many bells as you take before the treble, take before you dodge bob or no bob.—Yours faithfully,  
ALFRED PITSTOW.

### AMONG HERTFORDSHIRE TOWERS.

A most enjoyable time was spent in Hertfordshire by members of St. Mary's, Acton, Society, including the Rev. Routh, B.A., and Messrs. R. Holloway, C. Brown, C. Breeze, H. Wincote, R. Fardon, R. H. Boddington, J. W. Frain, J. H. Hunnisett, L. H. Page, W. T. Vickery and J. Rootes. At Oxhey, they received a hearty welcome from Mr. F. W. Brinklow and Mr. Wade, and the nice light ring of eight were soon off into changes, and Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung. The next call was Bushey, where Mr. Maurice Hibbert was on the look out for the party. The ringing here was much enjoyed, touches in various methods being brought round. Lowering the bells at 5 p.m., and not having made special arrangements for tea, Mr. M. Hibbert and Mr. Brinklow at once most kindly fixed up a splendid 'ringers' tea' at the Red Lion, which was much appreciated and enjoyed by all. Having half an hour to spare, the visitors were taken by the two local friends to see the wonderful and interesting stone residence of Professor Von Herkomer. The next call was Watford Parish Church where a warm welcome from Mr. Oakley and the Vicar (who is a ringer) awaited the party, and on this truly magnificent peal touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bob were brought round. Then on to King's Langley, where the party were met by Mr. Clark, and ringing was enjoyed on the light bells, a helping hand being given to a few of the local band who threaded their way through touches of Grandsire Triples, and were much pleased. This concluded a most enjoyable day, and best thanks are tendered to the 'brother strings' mentioned for their hearty welcome, and also to the Vicars of the respective churches.



## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY. TAMWORTH'S INTERESTING BELLS.

A successful meeting of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford was held at St. Edith's, Tamworth, on Saturday week. Letters of apology for absence were read from the Rev. C. H. Barker (hon. secretary and treasurer) through illness, and from Mr. J. Bradney.

The peal of eight bells—which were rung to the tune of the four standard methods and Double Norwich—form an interesting collection. The trebles are by Taylor and Co., also 3rd recast 1883; 4th, 1621, by Hugh Watts; 5th, 1629, and 6th, 1628, by G. Oldfield, Junr.; 7th, 1656, by B. Eldridge; and the tenor recast by Taylor and Co., 1884. They are hung in a tower quite unique, for it is believed to be the only one in the world to have a double staircase—one leading from outside and the other from inside the church. So that when one is ascending on the one set of steps another may be walking on the former's head. The interior of the church, too, is well worth a visit. Here we have the uncommon view of a large inside window, i.e., stone framework, on the eastern side of the tower, which gives a beautiful effect. Further, we see in the spacious vestry safes filled with registers dating from the early part of the 17th century, together with communion plate of silver some centuries old. The inhabitants of Tamworth may well be proud of their grand old church. The ringers are to be congratulated upon possessing a Vicar and churchwardens who take such a lively interest in their doings, and who take their regular stand at the ropes week by week. This interested trio, together with the local band, did their utmost to give the visitors a warm welcome. And right well did they succeed.

The Vicar (the Rev. H. Rosher, M.A.) gave an inspiring address. Cards were distributed with a hymn 'Lift them gently to the steeple,' also a prayer, specially printed for the occasion, and the members were asked to accept it as a souvenir of their visit. After the service was over, the Vicar gave an interesting description of the church.

A capital tea was kindly provided by the churchwardens, to which between 40 and 50 did full justice. Mr. W. R. Small—in quite his own style—moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar for his helpful address etc.; to the churchwardens for the splendid tea provided; to the ladies who assisted at the tables, and to the organist for his appreciated assistance.—The Vicar and Mr. Churchwarden J. W. Parker suitably responded.

As previously published the Rowland Cartwright Memorial Fund reached the sum of £20 19s. 6d. Since then the following sums have been received: Coseley ringers, 13s.; Nottingham (per Mr. C. P. Vickers), 10s.; Mr. T. Horton, 5s., making a total up to date of £22 7s. 6d. The next meeting is provisionally arranged to take place at Willenhall on January 8th.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The Northern District meeting of the Essex Association was held at Foxearth on Saturday Sept. 4th, there being a good attendance of members from Braintree, Stisted, Sible Hedingham, Notley, Great Yeldham, Rayne, Croydon, and the local company. The Rev. H. S. Carpenter (Rector) conducted a short service and gave an address welcome to the ringers.

Tea was served at the Clubroom and was followed by the business meeting. Mr. H. F. Cooper presided, supported by the Rector. Mr. Wm. Underwood, of Cavendish, was elected a non-resident member, and four ringing members from Finchingfield were also elected.—It was unanimously decided to hold the annual district meeting at Ilsted in December.—The District Master proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for his services, and this was seconded by Mr. W. H. Dyson, who said he felt sure every one of those meetings was the means of bringing the ringers and clergy together into one brotherhood.—The Rector, in replying, said he was very pleased to have the ringers at Foxearth, as he quite realised that ringers were great church workers, working together in harmony for the love of God and His church.

Ringing during the afternoon and evening included touches of Plain and Kent Treble Bob, Grandsire and Stedman Triples.

## WICKHAMBEAUX RINGER'S DEATH.

The death has occurred at Wickhambeaux, Kent, of one of the local ringers Albert Johnson. He was laid to rest on the 4th inst., and on the following day the bells were rung deeply muffled for the services, and a 720 Bob Minor brought round by: E. Wood 1, W. Maxted 2, W. Savage 3, H. Smith 4, A. Johnson 5, S. G. White (conductor) 6. The ringers of 2 and 5 belong to the neighbouring tower of Littlebourne and the rest to the local company.

## C. A. VALENTINE'S 100 PEALS.

100 peals recently completed by Mr. C. A. Valentine of Stony Stratford, Bucks, comprise: Stedman Caters, 1; Stedman Triples, 11; Grandsire Caters, 1; Grandsire Triples, 8; Double Norwich, 2; Kent Treble Bob Major 7; Bob Major, 5 (conducted 1); Minor in 1 method, 10 (7); in 3 methods, 4 (2); in 4 methods, 2 (2); in 5 methods, 1 (1); in 7 methods, 14 (9); Treble Bob Minor in 7 methods, 24 (17); Surprise Minor in 7 methods, 5 (4); Cambridge Surprise Minor, 1 (1); Doubles, 4 (3); total, 100 (47).

## PEAL ATTEMPTS IN CANADA. 'KHAKE' RINGERS BACK IN VANCOUVER.

The last Canadian mail brought an interesting letter from Mr. A. C. Limpus, of Vancouver, B.C., who is known to many ringers in England with whom he became acquainted whilst with the Canadian Forces on this side of the Atlantic. He says:—

'In looking over the first "Ringing World" I have seen for a year, the issue of July 2nd, I noticed that my esteemed friend in Seaford, Sussex, Mr. Robert J. Dawe, was ringing in a peal of Stedman at Southover, Lewes, which prompts me to assume that the Seaford band would like to hear something from those of us who had the pleasure of ringing with them in 1918-1919.

'Our Vancouver band includes no less than five "khaki" ringers who were at Seaford Camp viz., Mr. A. Watts, Mr. H. Hollis, Sergt.-Major G. Chaplin, Sapper H. Whiteman, and myself, and we all wish to be remembered to those at home.

'Since returning we have made two attempts to gain another peal, but, alas! after an hour's ringing came to grief on both occasions at exactly the same place. Those taking part were: George W. Foster (conductor), Major E. M. Bressey, F. Dunaway, W. B. Warner, M. C. Bennett, A. Watts, Farrington Jones, Jenner, and myself, so you see we are much the same band as in 1911. Mr. Gilbert Pearce is in Bristol, and Mr. R. J. Carrier, Vancouver Island, some 80 miles distant. We are getting a much-needed new set of ropes on which we hope to ring the first peal of Stedman away from the British Isles.'

## DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. QUARTERLY MEETING AT KINGSWINFORD.

On Saturday week, a quarterly meeting of the Dudley and District Guild was held at the beautiful village church of St. Mary, Kingswinford. The bells were available during the afternoon, and the Guild's beautiful form of service was used. The Rev. A. H. Messiter (Vicar of Kingswinford) officiated, and gave a very forceful and interesting address, at the outset of which he extended to the members a hearty welcome to his church and parish. At the conclusion of the service an adjournment was made to the Schoolroom, where a bounteous tea was awaiting those present, and, needless to say, full justice was done to the good things provided.

The business meeting followed, presided over by the Vicar. Several new members were elected, including the Rev. A. H. Messiter as an honorary member.—The next quarterly meeting, at the invitation of the St. Leonard's company, will be held at Bilston, of which due notice will be given. It was proposed to attempt the Guild's quarterly peal at Kingswinford, the arrangements being left in the hands of Mr. John Bass.

At the close of the meeting, hearty votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for his great kindness in granting permission for the meeting to be held at Kingswinford, also for conducting the service in church and for his helpful address, for presiding at the meeting, and for the use of the Schoolroom and bells; to the Rev. H. Hemmingway (curate) for his assistance in the musical part of the service; to Mr. E. A. Lownes and Mr. H. Morgan and their wives and lady friends for providing and serving the tea, and to all who had assisted in any way in making the meeting a successful and happy one.

After the meeting some of the members strolled round the beautiful country village, whilst others adjourned to the belfry and made good use of the bells in the time at their disposal.

## WEST WALES ASSOCIATION. SUCCESSFUL QUARTERLY MEETING.

On Saturday, Sept. 4th, the quarterly meeting of the West Wales Association was held at Baglan, where the bells, a nice ring of six were kept going during the afternoon and evening in a variety of methods. There was a good attendance, the towers in the Association being well represented. Mr. J. W. Jones (secretary Llandaff Association) and Mr. Shepherd, of Swindon, were welcome visitors.

Service was held in the beautiful church, at which the Vicar (the Rev. E. G. E. Richardson) gave an appropriate address on bells, and gave some good advice to the ringers in regard to their duties to the church generally.

After the service, the party (which included some lady ringers) adjourned to Baglan Hall, where a capital tea was enjoyed, over which Mrs. R. W. Llewellyn presided.—Thanks are due to Miss Llewellyn and Mrs. Bellringer for helping to make the tea a success.

A short meeting was afterwards held, at which Mr. Jones said he was glad to see that the meetings of the Association were now advertised in the 'Ringing World,' as a result of which he was able to attend.—He was followed by the Ringing Master (Mr. A. J. Fitman), who impressed upon the ringers to support the 'Ringing World' individually, and said no doubt that the more support the ringers' journal had, the better the paper the Editor would be able to produce for them.

After the meeting, the ringers again made for the tower for further ringing and an enjoyable day was brought to a close by a well-struck 720 Bob Minor, conducted by M. A. Hoare.

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## NOTICES.

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INCREASED POSTAL RATES. — Owing to the increase in the postal rates the charge for 'The Ringing World' sent by post will, in future, be 3s. per quarter; 12s. per annum.

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Bath on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Ringing at St. Mark's (near the station) from 2.30. Service at 4 o'clock, followed by tea and business meeting. The bells of St. Andrew's and St. Michael's will also be open for use during the evening. Tea at the City Cafe, Stall Street, at 4.45. All ringers welcome.—Edith Smith, 12, Auburn Road, Redland, Bristol.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society) (Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 18th, at St. Leonard's, Streatham. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. — F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Conisbrough on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells (8) available from 3 to 8. Short service at 5 p.m.—Arthur Hague, District Sec., 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Woolton on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells ready at 4. Service 5.30. Meeting at 6. Members intending being present please send word to the Secretary.—Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. — A monthly meeting will be held at Dunchurch on Saturday, September 18th. Bells (6) available from 3 o'clock.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The September meeting will be held at Saltburn-by-the-Sea on Saturday, 18th. Bells, 8 (tenor 23 cwt.), have been placed at the disposal of the ringers by the kind permission of Archdeacon Lindsey. Tea at Wilson's Cafe, 1/- each. All friends and ringers kindly invited.—T. Metcalfe, 26, High Street, North Ormesby.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Dorchester Branch.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Milton Abbey on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells (8), also Hilton and Puddletown (6), from 2 p.m. Guild service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Weston-super-Mare on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells available all the afternoon. Tea at Glass's Restaurant at 4 p.m., business meeting to follow. Service at 5.30.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. — The Quarterly meeting will be held at Chesterfield on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Belfry open 2 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock. General meeting to follow. Committee meeting 4 o'clock,

at place to be notified in belfry. Will District Hon. Secs. please meet me 3.45 at committee room?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A District meeting will be held at Tring on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells available at 4 p.m.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec., Western Division, 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly meeting Saturday, Sept. 18th. Tuxford bells (6) available from 2 till 8.30. Tea to members 2/- per head, non-members 2/9, at Mrs. Rushby's, Market Place, Tuxford. Visitors welcome.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec.

BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Royston on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells available from 4 to 9. All ringers welcome.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Gt. Waldingfield, 3½ miles east of Sudbury, on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells ready 2.40. Tea 4.30. 1/6 per head.—A. Symonds, District Sec., Lavenham.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Kettering District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Welden on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells ready at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.—David J. Nichols, Gen. Sec., 3, York Road, Kettering.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Yeovil on Sept. 18th. Service 4.45. Tea at Dade's Restaurant at 5.30.—F. Farrant, Branch Sec., Martock.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells at 3. All ringers welcome.—A. E. Sharman, District Sec., 278, High Street, Dunstable.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Sept. 30th; and \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 21st, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Rochester District.—A by-meeting will be held at Northfleet, where the old six have recently been rehung and two new trebles added, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available at 3. All ringers welcome.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, Sept. 25th.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at Boughton Monchelsea on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 4.30 at the Vicarage, business meeting after. Service at 6 p.m. All intending to be present please let me know not later than Tuesday, Sept. 21st.—Stephen Hazzelden, Lower Street, East Farleigh.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—The Annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at Gainsborough on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available afternoon and evening. Service at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided free to those members whose subscriptions are



paid for current year; non-members and friends at 2/6 per head. Will those desiring tea please let Mr. F. S. Butler, 6, Spital Terrace, know on or before Monday, Sept. 20th, as only those doing so can be provided for?—J. W. Seamer, Hon. Sec.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Pulborough on Saturday, Sept. 25th; Ringing to commence at 3: Tea at the Five Bells Hotel at 5 o'clock. All those who intend being present kindly advise not later than Sept. 22nd.—A. W. Groves, Div. Sec., 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—The Re-opening of Burton Latimer Bells will take place on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Dedication Service at 3 p.m. Names of those intending being present at tea must reach Mr. G. Lines, Crandford Road, Burton Latimer, not later than Tuesday, Sept. 21st.—David J. Nichols, Gen. Sec.

**LEEDS & DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Calverley, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. in the Thornhill Arms.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec., 7, Burley Terrace, Burley Road, Leeds.

**BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Wrington on Saturday, Sept. 25th. The bells available 3.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow.—Percy Ye0, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Wickhambreaux, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Tea on the Lawn, kindly provided by the Vicar. Will members intending to be present kindly notify me by Sept. 22nd.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Eccles, near Manchester, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Service at 4 p.m., the Vicar of Pendleton, Rev. H. L. Fosbrooke, M.A., will be the Preacher. Further particulars by circular.—W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Secretaries.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Chaddesley Corbett, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in the Church at 5 p.m. Business meeting in the Schools after the service. Tea will be provided at 1/7 each for all those who let me know on or before Sept. 22nd. The election of officers for the Northern Branch takes place at this meeting for the following year.—E. J. Dowler, Hon. Sec., 11, St. Edward's Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

**LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Llangibby, on Saturday, Sept. 25th, at 4.30 p.m. Bells (8) available.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—The Quarterly meeting of above Branch will be held at Chicheley, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service at 3.30 p.m., tea to follow. Those wishing to attend please notify me as soon as possible.—W. Sear, Branch Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Ruddington on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Ringing from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—Thos. H. Kirkby.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Selly Oak on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available at 3.30. Guild Service at 4.30, to be followed by tea and the business meeting. Will all intending to be present please notify me by Wednesday, Sept. 29th? All ringers welcome.—S. Pigott, 41, Cemetery Road, Smethwick.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Deanery, and the E. Berks and B. Bucks Branches.—The Tower of St. Michael's Church, Warfield, will be open for members and friends on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, 1920, at 2.30 p.m. Evensong at 5, and Invitation tea at 6 o'clock at the Brownlow Hall. Foremen of Towers will please notify the Secretary by the 29th Sept., how many will attend.—W. H. Fussell, Farnburn Avenue, nr. Slough.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—S. and W. District.—A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. The bells of St. Mary's will also be available.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—The District Annual meeting will be held at West Ham on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.45 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.—E. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath, Essex.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION** for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—The Annual General meeting will be held in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich, on Wednesday, Oct. 6th, at 2.30 p.m. The President, the Very Rev. the Dean of Norwich, D.D., in the chair. The ring of bells at St. Mary-le-Tower (12), St. Margaret's (8), St. Lawrence (5) St. Matthew's (5) will be open for the use of members throughout the day, except for Divine service. Divine service will be conducted at the church of St. Mary-le-Tower, at 12.30, preacher, the Rev. Francis L'Estrange Fawcett, Vicar of Stowmarket. The President and committee earnestly hope that all the members attending the annual meeting will be present at that service. Dinner will be served in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich, at 1.30, tickets 3/6 each. Those who intend to be present at the dinner must send notice to the Secretary before Sunday, Oct. 3rd. Committee meeting will be held at 11.30 a.m. in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich. Arrears for 1919, and subscriptions for the current year should be paid at once, for the preparation of balance sheet for the year 1920.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., 'High Croft,' North Walsham.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Ringmer, on Saturday, October 2nd. Bells available during afternoon and evening. Service at 4.30, with an Address by the Rev. G. R. Leefe. Tea at 5 p.m. in the Parish Room (1s. 6d. per head). Half-rail fares (maximum 2s.) and half-cost of Tea. Business Meeting to follow.—Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. District Secretary, 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (established 1637).—The 283rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Further particulars later.



**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**— Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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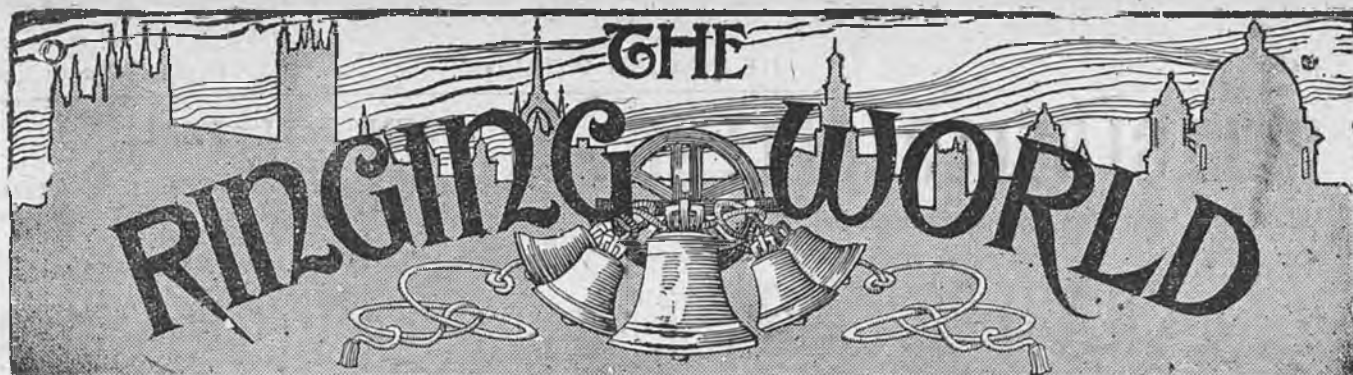
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The Lancashire Association has always been one of the best managed of the ringing organisations in this country, and it is quite certain that it maintains among its members as great an active interest in its affairs as can be boasted by any society. Another proof of this will be found in to-morrow's annual meeting at Eccles, when the agenda for the business proceedings will give the members some real, live topics to discuss. There is, for instance, keen competition for the privilege of representing the Association upon the Central Council, and it must be some years since an association had nine candidates putting up for the maximum of four places. This seems to us an indication of revival of interest in Lancashire in the Council, and we hope to see this revival followed in other bodies in the Exercise.

An important matter bearing upon the future of the Association will be discussed upon the motion sent up by the Bolton Branch, viz., that probationary members be admitted to the Association. A good many of the ringing organisations already do this in some degree or other, but Lancashire, up to the present, has received only those who can pass an elementary test in change ringing. The experience of those societies who admit probationers has, we believe, been such that none would now draw the stricter line of limiting membership to qualified change ringers only. Probationers cannot, of course, expect to have a full voice in the affairs of an association, but the fact that they are enabled to become attached to the parent body tends to quicken their interest, and to encourage them to seek to advance in the practice of ringing, so that they may at the earliest moment enter into full membership. The Association also benefits financially, and there is no respect, we think, in which it can be urged that it is against the interests of a Change Ringers' Association to admit probationers—under proper rules.

Another matter in which the Lancashire Association will be interested to-morrow is the date of its future annual meetings. This has been a vexed question for some time past, but it is doubtful if any day could be selected for such an event which could even be made convenient for all who would like to attend. But in Lancashire there is another matter which complicates the issue, and that is the holidays which the textile workers in the great industrial centres take en masse during the late summer. To-morrow the Lancashire ringers have got to decide whether they can with advantage change the date of the annual gathering, and whatever their decision, the discussions which this matter has raised at the Branch meetings shows that the members have a live interest in their association.

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On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
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**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

EDWIN J. RIDLER ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. GOODENOUGH 6
WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. 2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... .. 7
CHARLES GORDON ... .. 3	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. ... 8
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*ARTHUR W. FLOWERS ... 5	*FREDERICK DAY ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN A. BURFORD.

Conducted by GEORGE CONDICK, JUN.

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HEPTONSTALL, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-A-BECKETT,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

JOE HARDCASTLE ... .. Treble	THOMAS B. KENDALL ... .. 5
GEORGE NAYLOR ... .. 2	JAMES COTTERELL ... .. 6
JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. 3	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 7
JONAS S. AMBLER ... .. 4	FRED SALMONS ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. PLATT. Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

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THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Sept. 5, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

*THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... Treble	ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 5
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 2	GEORGE T. ROWE ... .. 6
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 3	JAMES BEYES ... .. 7
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On Tuesday, Sept. 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

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REV. H. L. JAMES, Caius ... 2	REV. B. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE, Pemb. ... .. 6
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A. E. WILKINS, Trinity ... 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Trinity ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. E. B. JAMES. Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.  
First peal of Major on the bells.



BENNINGTON, HERTS.  
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Wednesday, Sept. 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

REV. H. L. JAMES, Caius Treble	*REV. B. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE
E. M. ATKINS, St. Cath. ... 2	Pemb. ... 6
*A. E. WILKINS, Trinity ... 3	REV. E. B. JAMES, Caius ... 7
†B. F. SHEPPARD, Trinity ... 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN,
*W. H. J. HOOTON, Queen's 5	Trinity ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in the method on tower bells. † First peal of Major on tower bells.

BROXBOURNE, HERTS.  
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr.

B. F. SHEPPARD, Trinity ... Treble	REV. E. B. JAMES, Caius ... 5
A. E. WILKINS, Trinity ... 2	REV. B. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE,
E. M. ATKINS, St. Cath. ... 3	Pemb. ... 6
W. H. J. HOOTON, Queen's 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN, Trinity 7
	REV. H. L. JAMES, Caius ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by REV. H. L. JAMES.

First peal in the method by the Guild and by all the band, except ringers of 5 and 8.

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

JOHN SPENCER ... Treble	ALFRED WATSON ... 5
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... 2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 6
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... 3	GEORGE MAYERS ... 7
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 4	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY HALEY. Conducted by GEO. H. CROSS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

CHISLEHURST, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS PHILLIPS ... Treble	GEORGE DURLING ... 5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 6
ISAAC EMERY ... 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 7
JAMES FORD ... 4	HARRY DURLING ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Groombridge, senr., and to Harry Durling. Quickest peal on the bells.

DEPTFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ST. JOHN'S SOCIETY, DEPTFORD.)

On Thursday, Sept. 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 14 cwt. 0 qr. 13 lb.

ROBERT A. FOSDIKE ... Treble	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... 5
THOMAS A. EASTERBY ... 2	ALBERT E. GODDARD ... 6
ALFRED G. BENNINGTON ... 3	ERNEST B. CROWDER ... 7
EDWIN J. PANNETT ... 4	HARRY NORGATE ... Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST B. CROWDER.

This peal was rung after meeting short for Stedman, Mr. R. A. Fosdike kindly taking the spare rope. It was arranged in honour of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jeffries' silver wedding, and the first anniversary of their daughter's marriage to Mr. J. Higginson of Knightley, Staffordshire.

BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Sept. 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt.

*JOHN COOK ... Treble	HERBERT LUDKIN ... 5
†WALTER J. BATTLE ... 2	ARTHUR LINTOTT ... 6
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... 3	SIDNEY F. BARNES ... 7
‡JAMES R. GRIFFIN ... 4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. BARKER. Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

\* First peal. † First peal of Major. ‡ First peal in the method away from treble. A. Lintott was elected a non-resident life member of the Guild before starting.

WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE POWNALL ... Treble	THOMAS BALL WORSLEY ... 5
FRED ABBOTT ... 2	JAMES T. POTTER ... 6
ALFRED POTTER ... 3	JOHN POTTER ... 7
THOMAS LINGARD ... 4	JOHN EDGE ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

This peal was arranged for the coming of age of Miss Rhoda Potter, daughter of the ringers of the 3rd, also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Lee, daughter of the conductor, and Mrs. T. B. Worsley.

TODMORDEN, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE UNITARIAN CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

JOHN FITTON ... Treble	GEORGE STAFF ... 5
*LEWIS HALLROYD ... 2	WILLIAM CRABTREE ... 6
†FRANK FIELDEN ... 3	JOHN H. MASSEY ... 7
‡JOHN NASH ... 4	HERBERT DAVENPORT ... Tenor

Composed by J. THORP. Conducted by H. DAVENPORT.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

*WILFRED W. BAILEY ... Treble	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... 5
*LEONARD P. BAILEY ... 2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... 6
ALLEN F. BAILEY ... 3	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 7
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... 4	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method. First Surprise peal by eight brothers and rung at the first attempt.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

JAMES WARD ... Treble	WALTER PERKINS ... 5
JOHN J. MAWBY ... 2	WILLIAM FAREY ... 6
JAMES HOUGHTON ... 3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... 7
HERBERT RAINBOW ... 4	FRED WILFORD ... Tenor

Composed by NATHAN PITSTOW. Conducted by FRED WILFORD.

Specially arranged for the 50th birthday of the conductor.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

SELWORTHY, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Comprising Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

H. J. ARSCOTT ... .. Treble	F. C. ARSCOTT ... .. 4
M. W. ARSCOTT ... .. 2	F. G. ARSCOTT ... .. 5
H. L. ARSCOTT ... .. 3	W. HOYLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. G. ARSCOTT.

Rung in honour of the induction of the Rev. C. H. Bradburn to the living.

DESBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 10 cwt.

FREDK. E. WALLINGTON...Treble	WILLIAM HECTOR ... .. 4
*MISS ADA DEACON ... .. 2	ARTHUR MANNING ... .. 5
WALTER WALLINGTON ... 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal 'inside' and belongs to the local band. The others hail from Market Harboro', except the conductor, who belongs to Leicester (S. Margaret's).

HIGHER SUTTON.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(MACCLESFIELD BRANCH.)

On Monday, Sept. 6, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Comprising four 720's of Grandsire and three 720's of Plain Bob :  
called differently. Tenor 11½ cwt.

*E. GRIMSHAW ... .. Treble	*W. WOOD ... .. 4
T. MOTTERSHED ... .. 2	J. W. L. SLACK ... .. 5
H. DAVENPORT ... .. 3	J. MANIFOLD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. DAVENPORT.

Rung to commemorate the safe return of three of the band from the war. First peal in these methods on the bells. \* First peal and first attempt.

CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(HALESWORTH SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, Sept. 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of one 720 of Kent Treble Bob, two of Canterbury Pleasure and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

LIONEL HAMMOND ... .. Treble	CHARLES MOSS ... .. 4
FREDERICK C. LAMBERT ... 2	JAMES HOWARD ... .. 5
ARTHUR H. TOOK ... .. 3	JOHN LARTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. C. LAMBERT.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Capt. A. E. and Mrs. Reeves, both members of the Halesworth Society.

TIMBERSCOMBE, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. TETROK,**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

W. YEANDLE ... .. Treble	F. C. ARSCOTT ... .. 4
H. J. ARSCOTT ... .. 2	F. G. ARSCOTT ... .. 5
H. W. ARSCOTT ... .. 3	H. L. ARSCOTT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. W. ARSCOTT.

FOXLEY, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

MATTHEW TIMBERS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. WASEY ... .. 4
ALBERT J. NZALE ... .. 2	WALTER FORD ... .. 5
FRED J. BARBER ... .. 3	WALTER C. MEDLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

KEMPSTONE, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Violet, College Pleasure, London Scholar's Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

RICHARD KENDALL ... .. Treble	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... .. 4
CHARLES MORTIMER ... .. 2	PEARL INSKIP ... .. 5
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 3	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES WM. CLARKE.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,  
AT ST. MICHAEL'S, JOSEPH ROAD,**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 12 in F.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 1-2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: The Misses E. WOOD and W. M. J. MORTLEV.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Whittington, of Croydon, and the Conductor.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, Sept. 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFREY,**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5067 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19 size in F.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 1-2	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 5-6
FRANK W. PERRINS ... .. 3-4	*ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 7-8
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 9-10	

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES. Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

\* First peal of Stedman 'in hand.'

**RINGERS' JUBILEES.**

In honour of the 50th birthday of Mr. F. Salmon, a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major was rung at Heptonstall, Yorks, on August 28th. The ringers and their wives were entertained to tea by Mr. Salmon, who received the congratulations and thanks of his guests.

Last Saturday, Mr. Fred Wilford, who for many years was hon. secretary of the Central Northants Association, also celebrated his jubilee with a peal of Superlative, which he conducted at Irthlingborough. He received the good wishes of his brother ringers.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**

To the Editor.

Sir,—May I strongly advise ringers who do not possess this record of the late Mr. Robinson's ringing career, and perhaps have never seen or heard of it, to take the opportunity now offered of securing a copy at pre-war cost? Apart from change ringing the photographs of over 400 churches at which Mr. Robinson rang peals, with carefully ascertained statistics of the weight and founders of their bells, are a record of great ecclesiastical and antiquarian interest, which might well find a place in diocesan or parochial libraries, as well as in the homes of the clergy. Ten-and-six may seem a lot to spend upon it; but some who grudge that will not think twice about twelve-and-six for a bottle of whisky! I need hardly add that, though I was privileged to assist Mr. Robinson in the preparation of his book, I have no personal interest in its sale.—Yours faithfully,  
St. Albans. T. L. PAPILLON.

**MELTON MOWBRAY'S OLDEST RINGER.**

DEATH OF MR. C. T. DALBY.

On Monday, Sept. 6th, there passed away, after some months of illness, Melton Mowbray's oldest ringer, in the person of Mr. Charles Thomas Dalby. Deceased, who was 73 years of age, was a native of West Ham, and went to Melton about 45 years ago. He at once joined the St. Mary's Ringers' Society, and later acted as captain of the company up to 1899. Although never very far advanced in change ringing, he rang 25 peals of Minor, Grandsire Triples and Bob Major. He was a member of the Framland Society and of the Midland Counties Association for several years. Always most regular and punctual in his attendance at Sunday service ringing, his place will be difficult to fill.

He was buried on September 9th, four ringers being the bearers: Messrs. R. H. Bartram, W. James, T. H. Gillett and Jos. Gilson, and after the committal Messrs. R. H. Ernest and J. R. Bartram and W. James rang the handbells over the open grave. In the evening his old colleagues rang the whole pull and stand on the half-muffled bells of St. Mary's Church, and several touches of Grandsire Triples (including 518), conducted by R. H. Bartram. There were many beautiful wreaths including one from his only daughter, Mrs. Armitage, of Croydon, and 'Charlie' (his grandson).

**NEW PEAL OPENED AT LIVERPOOL.**

There was a great gathering of ringers at the Church of St. Francis Xavier, Salisbury Street, Liverpool, on Sunday Sept. 12th, for the reopening of the peal of eight, which have just been recast by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. Short touches were the order of the day to make it possible that all present might participate.

The opening touch of Grandsire Triples was rung by: John Donnelly (conductor) 1, Percy Hayes (West Derby) 2, Wm. Bond 3, Thomas Donnelly 4, James Meldrum 5, Herbert Ashton (Rainhill) 6, Isaac Clarke 7, James Moran 8. At intervals during the day the ringing was taken part in by bands, which included Messrs. Sholicear, J. H. Parks and P. Harvey, of Ormskirk; Mr. Hill, of Walton; Mr. Oldham, Loughborough (representative of Messrs. Taylor), and Mr. Percy Hayes, of West Derby, besides many from other towers in Liverpool and neighbourhood.

The arrangements were in the hands of Mr. John Donnelly, and it was evident when ringing ceased at 8.30 p.m. that satisfaction had been given to all, and opinion was unanimous that Messrs. Taylor and Co. had done their work well, the musical tones of the bells being greatly admired.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.**

SOUTHERN BRANCH MEETING AT CHERTSEY.

A quarterly meeting of the Southern District of the Ladies' Guild was held at Chertsey on September 11th. After ringing during the afternoon the Guild service was conducted by the Vicar of Chertsey, who gave an address. Tea in the Churchroom followed, and was much appreciated by those who had cycled some distance. A company of 25 assembled round the tea-table, it being the smallest meeting since this district was formed, but what was lacking in numbers was made up by the enthusiasm of members present, one having come from Dorking, and another having cycled some 20 miles alone.

At the business meeting, Miss Nash, of Wargrave was elected a member.

The Secretary reported that Mr. Chairman, of Cranleigh, had invited the Guild to hold a meeting there, and the offer was accepted with much pleasure. It is hoped to make this the district annual meeting in October.

The Misses Mills, of Aldershot, were heartily congratulated on ringing their first peal, viz., Minor in four methods at Puttenham; also Miss Fisher, of Dorking, on her first quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples at Portishead.

Ringing was continued for a short time after tea, and considering the somewhat heavy bells and long draught of rope the members acquitted themselves very creditably.

**A TRIP TO OXFORD.**

On Saturday, September 4th, the Berkhamsted ringers with a few friends visited Oxford by charabanc for their annual outing. The first halt was called at Stone, where the church possesses a pretty little ring of six, which were soon pealing out some very good touches of Grandsire Doubles and Bob Minor. From Stone the journey was continued to Haddenham, a picturesque village about two miles on the Aylesbury side of Thame. The peal of eight here were kept going for about three-quarters of an hour, and all were very sorry at having to leave them so soon. The next call for ringing was made at Thame, where the ancient church possesses a beautiful peal of eight bells. Various touches were rung for upwards of half an hour, and then the party made for Oxford. After dinner the visitors had a look round the various colleges, and other places of interest. Upon the stroke of six o'clock they started off from St. Giles' on the homeward journey which was completed in about five hours after a thoroughly enjoyable trip.



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### A SUCCESSFUL TOUR.

Eleven peals in fourteen attempts were scored on the ringing tour last week organised by Mr. William Pye. The peals rung comprised three of Bristol Surprise, three of London, three of Superlative and two of Cambridge. Those lost were one of Bristol, one of Superlative and one of Stedman Cinques, owing to illness.

### EIGHT BROTHERS' SURPRISE PEAL.

The Bailey Brothers—that extraordinary family of ringers at Leiston, Suffolk—have added a bit more to ringing history. Last Saturday they scored the first Surprise peal by eight brothers, this being a peal of Superlative rung at the first attempt. It will be remembered that eight of the family rang a peal of Bob Major some years ago, and that was followed up by some interesting family peals upon handbells. Now, however, they have again organised into an eight bell band—it is all the more extraordinary that they are not exactly the same eight—and have added Superlative. As most of them have rung peals in other Surprise methods—well the rest will surely follow with average luck.

Previously the only Surprise peals rung by a band of brothers have been the handbell peals by the four brothers Pye—George, William, Ernest and Alfred.

### A TRIUMPH OVER WAR'S HANDICAP.

On Sunday, Sept. 12th, for evening service, at Christ Church Southgate, the first quarter-peal of Osters was rung on the newly augmented peal, namely, 1,263 Stedman Caters in 52 minutes: J. Armstrong (conductor) 1, A. R. Glasscock 2, G. Bester 3, H. E. Balaam 4, E. G. Tomlinson 5, N. A. Tomlinson 6, J. E. Miller 7, H. Miller 8, W. Pickworth 9, A. G. Crane 10. This was the first quarter-peal on ten bells by the ringers of 2, 3, 4, 7, 3 and tenor; also first quarter-peal of Caters as conductor by J. Armstrong. It is particularly interesting also for another reason. It was arranged for H. E. Balaam who lost his right arm in the war. He rings admirably with his remaining arm; and is to be congratulated upon the way he has overcome this serious handicap. He was on a visit to his home.

### BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

A very successful meeting of the above was held at Royston on Saturday last. The church, tower and bells are all old and much venerated. The ringing room is lighted by a noble oriel window with five lights, and the writer noticed several persons comfortably placed in this roomy alcove watching the ringing with evident interest. Members were present from Wath, Darfield, Wragby, Felkirk, Crofton, Barnsley, etc. Many Minor methods were tried, but owing to the shyness of beginners the higher flights of Treble Bob were the most successful. Seven new members were elected, and votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar (the Rev. Owen Thomas, B.A.) and churchwardens, for the use of the bells, and the local company for all arrangements made for the visitors.

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

#### THE DATE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

The much-discussed question among branches of the Lancashire Association, as to the date upon which the annual meeting of the Association shall be held in future years is to be decided to-morrow, when the association will meet at Eccles. The following resolution is on the agenda: 'That the committee having carefully considered the proposed alteration of the date of the annual meeting, are of opinion that the present date is best for the association, but if an alteration is desired they recommend the second Saturday after Whit-week as the new date.'

The Bolton Branch are submitting a motion that 'members be admitted into the association as probationary members who are not qualified under the present rules, but are desirous of learning, or belong to a band, conditions being left to the committee.'

There is plenty of competition for the four places on the Central Council, no fewer than nine members having been nominated.

### PRESTON BRANCH PRACTICE MEETING.

A combined practice was held at Whittle-le-Woods on Saturday last, and was well attended, some 34 members enjoying the ringing on the fine peal of eight. It was 3.45 before proceedings commenced, owing to a funeral, but from that time up till 8 p.m. the bells were never idle for more than the few moments necessary in changing over bands. Standard methods with the addition of Double Norwich Major were rung, as well as Bob Minor and Cambridge Surprise for the six-bell enthusiasts.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and local ringers for the use of the bells, this being suitably acknowledged by Mr. G. Bradley, of the local band. The towers represented were: Aughton, Parbold, Standish, Chorley, Brindle, Leyland Parish and St. James', Penwortham, Preston Parish, Blackburn, and the local band.



### CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

The annual ringing week of the Cambridge University Guild was this year arranged in East Hertfordshire. The headquarters were at Thundridge Vicarage, near Ware, members being also billeted in the school house and one private house. Two motor-cars and three bicycles solved the problem of locomotion. The programme was: Monday night, September 6th, Ware Parish Church for short touches, for these effectively say 'Shan't' to anything longer.

Tuesday morning was spent at All Saints', Hertford (a fine peal by Mears), tenor 25 cwt. in ringing touches, and the afternoon at St. Andrew's, Hertford. In the evening a peal of Double Norwich was rung at Bengoe, the first peal of Major on the bells.

Wednesday began with a visit to Bennington, the village made famous by Squire Proctor and his band. Two of the latter listened with interest to a peal of Little Bob Major, the first in the method on the bells. Afterwards a short visit was paid to Great Munden, where the Rev. A. G. Langdon, a member of the Guild, is Rector. Then on to Braughing, where more touches were rung on bells made famous by a long length of Bob Major about 1792.

Thursday's journey was to Waltham Abbey, where the magnificent ring of twelve by Taylor was enjoyed for an hour and a half, touches of Caters and Triples being rung. On the home journey Cheshunt was visited, where the bells are a recent peal by Gillett and Johnstone. Next a peal of Double Oxford Bob Major was rung at Broxbourne.

On Friday, a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was attempted at Hunsdon, but proved a failure. Afterwards short touches were rung at Hoddesdon, a peal by Warner. In the evening a peal of Double Norwich was attempted on handbells, but failed after 1½ hours' ringing.

Next year's tour is planned to take place in Northamptonshire.

### YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

#### SOUTHERN DIVISION SECRETARY RETIRES.

The quarterly meeting of the Southern Division of the Yorkshire Association was held at Comistrot with all its historical lore of the old castle, on Saturday last, and although there were various other meetings held in the district on that day, there was a very good muster of members and friends representing Sheffield Cathedral, Rotherham, Doncaster, All Saints', Sheffield; Wath, Whiston, Bolsterstone, Arksey and Sprotborough. Ringing in various methods from Bob Minor to Double Norwich took place under the conductorship of Mr. G. Halksworth, the Ringing Master.

A short service was held, at which most of the visitors were present, and some sound advice and good counsel were given by the Vicar (the Rev. W. A. Strawbridge, M.A.), who exhorted his listeners to be more than ringers in their church work, for although it sometimes entailed a great amount of self-denial, they would one and all reap a rich reward hereafter. He assured them that by closer study and constant practice a greater desire would come to them to follow and carry on the work of the Divine Master.

Afterwards a sumptuous tea was provided by the wives and lady friends of the local company, and a short business meeting followed. To the great regret of the members, the vice-president read a letter from the honorary secretary (Mr. Arthur Hague) tendering his resignation. This came as a great surprise to many but under the circumstances it was felt it must be accepted for a time, although it was hoped that before long they would have the same gentleman back in harness with a helpmate, who is also a ringer, from anothershire.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Hague for his past valuable services, and the vice-president was instructed to write him a letter of thanks from all the members of the Southern Division.

On the proposition of Mr. G. Clarke, of Arksey seconded by Mr. H. Woodhouse, Mr. F. Clarke was unanimously elected to fill the vacant post.

Seven new members were elected, and, as no invitation was put forward for the next meeting to be held in December, the place will be selected by the committee.

A very pleasing duty fell to the Vicar at this point of the business proceedings when he was asked to make presentations to two members of the local company, who had just recently entered into the bonds of matrimony.—The Vicar said he had fairly lectured them at the wedding service and as they were both ringers, and that was a ringers' gathering he would ask the vice-president to make the presentation.

Mr. F. Willey, in a few well-chosen words, made the presentation on behalf of the members of the Conisborough company, and trusted that in years to come they and their wives would be blessed with health and happiness.

The Vice-President reminded all members that the increased subscription was now due, and trusted that those who had already paid would remind other members in the various towers who were apt to forget that the subscriptions must be paid by September 30th, to ensure their names appearing in the next published report.

### BISPHAM'S NEW BELLS.

#### AN ENTHUSIASTIC INSTRUCTOR.

A handy ring of six bells have been placed in the tower of Bispham Church, near Blackpool by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, in memory of the fallen heroes of the war. As soon as the scheme was begun money flowed in very freely from many quarters, and after all demands have been paid there is still enough money left to put in two trobles, which is the wish of many parishioners. As the ringing chamber is only about 8 feet 6 inches square there will not be much room left when eight men are at a similar number of ropes hanging there though the bell founders say they can make a good circle should they get the order. The tenor is 11 cwt.

According to rumour, many years ago a wealthy parishioner decided to present a ring of eight bells to the church, and one Saturday night he invited the Vicar to supper and discuss the pros and cons of the scheme. Owing to the lateness of the evening, and as the gentleman was about to make out a cheque, the Vicar told him not to trouble about it, and he would call round on Monday. Alas! the gentleman was taken seriously ill on the Sunday and died before the Vicar could see him, so Bispham Church, the mother church of Blackpool, has had to wait nearly twenty years for the bells.

A promising band of men have been got together for the purpose of ringing the bells under the tutorship of Mr. C. Sharples, many years leader at Immanuel, Oswaldtwistle, but now residing in Blackpool, North Shore. Mr. Sharples, along with Mr. Robt. Parkinson and Mr. Isaac Whalley, were the pioneers of change ringing in Oswaldtwistle, and were practically self-taught by 'Ropesight,' though much encouraged by various members of the Blackburn Branch of the Lancashire Association. A great help and impetus was given when Mr. Sharples bought a set of eight handbells, and here the three can claim to be absolutely self-taught, for they received instruction from no one. They were the first in the annals of change ringing to ring a peal of Minor in seven methods, double-handed, now about twenty-four years ago. Owing to pressure of business, Mr. Parkinson, who had been leader and conductor of Immanuel for many years, moved out of the district, and Mr. Sharples was elected leader, a position he held for nearly ten years until business calls caused him also to relinquish the leadership, though he often took part in the Sunday ringing. Under the leadership of Mr. Parkinson who, by the way, is now living and teaching a band in County Durham, the first peal on the bells, Plain Bob Minor, was rung after the bells had been in the tower twenty years. Then followed peals in three and four methods until, just before leaving, a peal in seven different methods was rung. When Mr. Sharples got the reins his desire was to ring a peal of Treble Bob in seven methods, which was scored a Year or two after struggling with learners. This was the first Treble Bob Minor by the Blackburn Branch. Mr. Sharples next aimed at a Surprise Minor peal, and this also was achieved after several years. This peal was the first Surprise peal by the Blackburn Branch. His next step was for 10,000 of Surprise in fourteen methods, and this was rung on May 17th, 1908 in five hours forty-two minutes, a commemorative brass being placed in the porch, at the cost of the Vicar and church officers, in honour of the event, the Vicar giving the worthy conductor a most excellent 'rubbing' of this brass mounted in a suitable oak frame. A few months after Mr. Sharples left Oswaldtwistle, his one regret being that there was still one more field to conquer, namely a non-conducted peal. This latter he was the chief means of getting in 1913, the band calling on his aid owing to temporary absence of one or two men.

At Bispham, Mr. Sharples has already imbued his well-known enthusiasm into the recruits, who, like Oliver Twist are asking for more. He is a great believer in teaching every ringer as much as possible, both in method ringing and conducting, a contradiction of Mr. Bankes James' recent letter in the 'Ringing World.'

### CREWE RINGERS VISIT DERBY.

On Monday, Sept. 6th the ringers attached to Christ Church, Crewe, had their annual outing, the place selected this year being Derby. The party left Crewe by the 7.15 a.m. train, and Derby was reached about 9.45. Through the kindness of Mr. C. J. Bowen Cooke (who is the Master of the Chester Diocesan Guild, and Chief Mechanical Engineer of the Railway Works at Crewe) arrangements had been made for a visit to the Midland Railway Works during the morning. This was thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated, and the party were afterwards entertained to dinner at the Midland Railway Institute, through the hospitality of Sir Henry Fowler, who is the Chief Mechanical Engineer at Derby.

During the afternoon a visit was paid to St. Almund's Church tower, where the ringers were met by several of the local band, and a pleasant afternoon was spent. Here several short touches of Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Double Norwich were rung on the splendid peal of bells, and the Crewe ringers take this opportunity of thanking those gentlemen who so kindly contributed towards making this visit so successful and enjoyable. The rest of the time before departure was spent in looking round the town, and Crewe was reached shortly after 9 p.m., after a most enjoyable day's outing.

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## NOTICES.

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**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A by-meeting will be held at Northfleet, where the old six have recently been rehung and two new trebles added, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available at 3. All ringers welcome.—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, Sept. 25th.—E. Steele, 12, Wedgewood Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at Boughton Monchelsea on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 4.30 at the Vicarage, business meeting after. Service at 6 p.m.—Stephen Hazzelden, Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northern Branch.—The Annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at Gainsborough on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available afternoon and evening. Service at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided free to those members whose subscriptions are paid for current year; non-members and friends at 2/6 per head.—J. W. Seamer, Hon. Sec.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Pulborough on Saturday, Sept. 25th; Ringing to commence at 3: Tea at the Five Bells Hotel at 5 o'clock.—A. W. Groves, Div. Sec., 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—The Re-opening of Burton Latimer Bells will take place on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Dedication Service at 3 p.m.—David J. Nichols, Gen. Sec.

**LEEDS & DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The next meeting will be held at Calverley, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. in the Thornhill Arms.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec., 7, Burley Terrace, Burley Road, Leeds.

**BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Wrington on Saturday, Sept. 25th. The bells available 3.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow.—Percy Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Wickhambreaux, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Tea on the Lawn, kindly provided by the Vicar. Will members intending to be present kindly notify me by Sept. 22nd.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—The next Quarterly

meeting will be held at Chaddesley Corbett, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in the Church at 5 p.m. Business meeting in the Schools after the service. The election of officers for the Northern Branch takes place at this meeting for the following year.—E. J. Dowler, Hon. Sec., 11, St. Edward's Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Eccles, near Manchester, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Service at 4 p.m., the Vicar of Pendleton, Rev. H. L. Foshrooke, M.A., will be the Preacher. Further particulars by circular.—W. H. Shaker and J. H. Banks, Secretaries.

**LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Llangibby, on Saturday, Sept. 25th, at 4.30 p.m. Bells (8) available.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—The Quarterly meeting of above Branch will be held at Chicheley, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service at 3.30 p.m., tea to follow. Those wishing to attend please notify me as soon as possible.—W. Sear, Branch Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Ruddington on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Ringing from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—Thos. H. Kirkby.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Stradbroke.—By kind permission of the Vicar, the bells will be available from 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 25th.—Fred R. Borrett.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Selly Oak on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available at 3.30. Guild Service at 4.30, to be followed by tea and the business meeting. Will all intending to be present please notify me by Wednesday, Sept. 29th? All ringers welcome.—S. Pigott, 41, Cemetery Road, Smethwick.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Deanery, and the E. Berks and S. Bucks Branches.—The Tower of St. Michael's Church, Warfield, will be open for members and friends on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, 1920, at 2.30 p.m. Evensong at 5, and Invitation tea at 6 o'clock at the Brownlow Hall. Foremen of Towers will please notify the Secretary by the 29th Sept., how many will attend.—W. H. Fussell, Farnburn Avenue, nr. Slough.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—The District Annual meeting will be held at West Ham on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.45 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.—E. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath, Essex.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Ringmer, on Saturday, October 2nd. Bells available during afternoon and evening. Service at 4.30, with an Address by the Rev. G. R. Leefe. Tea at 5 p.m. in the Parish Room (1s. 6d. per head). Half-rail fares (maximum 2s.) and half-cost of Tea. Business Meeting to follow.—Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. District Secretary, 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton District.—A special meeting will be held at Piddington on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Kindly let me know



those who require tea by Monday, Sept. 27th.—S. J. Laurence, 7, Castilian Terrace, Northampton.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A District meeting will be held at Ickleton (6 bells) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells available afternoon and evening.—A. E. Austin, District Sec., 4, Hills View, Gt. Shelford, Cambs.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A combined practice will be held at St. Nicholas', Godstone, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Tower open from 5.30 till 9 p.m. All ringers cordially invited.—N. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Northaw on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells from 3.30. Short service at 5.30, tea and meeting to follow. Trains to Cuffley from King's Cross at 2.3, 2.39, 3.10; from Broad Street at 1.58, 2.27, 2.41; to Potter's Bar from King's Cross at 2.30 and 3.30; from Broad Street at 2.18. Tea will be arranged only for those who advise me by Tuesday, Sept. 28th, at a charge of 1/6. Will members whose subscriptions for 1920 are still outstanding kindly forward same?—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 5.30, followed by tea and business meeting, at the invitation of the Vicar (Rev. F. Marriott). The bells of St. Mary's will also be available during the afternoon.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—The Autumn meeting will be held at Birchington on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. The bells of Birchington (8) and Quex Park (12) will be available at 3 o'clock. Half railway fares up to 2/- allowed. Tea kindly provided by the Vicar in the Institute Hall. Will all members intending to be present kindly notify me by Wednesday, Sept. 29th?—E. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The October meeting will be held at Beighton on Saturday, the 2nd. Six bells. Beighton Station, G.C. Railway.—Sam Thomas, 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The unveiling of the Memorial Peal Tablet to the late Mr. G. H. Kettle will take place at Allesley Church on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, at 4 o'clock. The bells (6) will be available from 3 o'clock. If those members who intend being present and require tea will notify me not later than Tuesday, Sept. 28th, I will endeavour to arrange for same at a reasonable charge.—J. H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at East Brent on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Service at 3 o'clock, tea and meeting after. Bells (6) afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, Hon. Sec., Burnham-on-Sea.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The Quarterly general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes on Monday, Oct. 4th, to be followed by a special general meeting to consider the alteration of Rule 13. Tower open at 6.45. Business meeting 8 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Sec., 49, Noel Street, Islington.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION** for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—The Annual General meeting will be held in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich, on Wednesday, Oct. 6th, at 2.30 p.m. The President, the Very Rev. the Dean of Norwich, D.D., in the chair. The ring of bells at St. Mary-le-Tower (12), St. Margaret's (8), St. Lawrence (5) St. Matthew's (5) will be open for the use of members throughout the day, except for Divine service. Divine service will be conducted at the church of St. Mary-le-Tower, at 12.30, preacher, the Rev. Francis L'Estrange Fawcett, Vicar of Stowmarket. The President and committee earnestly hope that all the members attending the annual meeting will be present at that service. Dinner will be served in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich, at 1.30, tickets 3/6 each. Those who intend to be present at the dinner must send notice to the Secretary before Sunday, Oct. 3rd. Committee meeting will be held at 11.30 a.m. in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich. Arrears for 1919, and subscriptions for the current year should be paid at once, for the preparation of balance sheet for the year 1920.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., 'High Croft,' North Walsham.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The next meeting will be held at Godalming on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.30, 9d. to members, 1/6 to visitors.—John J. Jones, Hon. Sec., 3, Bridge Street, Guildford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at All Saints', Stand, Whitefield, on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Meeting at 7 p.m.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above Branch will be held at Abbots Leigh on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock. Members requiring tea please notify Secretary not later than Oct. 3rd.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Northallerton on Saturday, Oct. 9th. The bells of the Parish Church will be available from 12 noon. Business meeting in the Church Room 3 p.m. Service in the Church 3.30, and tea in Parker's Refreshment Rooms at 4 p.m. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. Barnett, Court House, Northallerton, not later than Wednesday, Oct. 6th?—A. L. Henderson, Hon. District Sec., Pickering.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-east Branch.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Bampton on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells (6) available from 2.30. Service at 4.45. Tea at the Vicarage at 5.15. Those requiring tea should notify me by the 6th.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (established 1637).—The 283rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Further particulars later.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.



**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.**

A meeting of the Tonbridge District was held at Staplehurst, on Saturday, Sept. 4th, and was attended by about 30 members. The usual service was held, at which the Rector (the Rev. C. W. Bourne) officiated, assisted by the curate. The Rector also gave a short address. After service the members adjourned to the Bell Hotel, where an excellent tea was partaken of, kindly provided by the Rector, who presided. At the business meeting which followed, the District Secretary (Mr. W. Latter) said that he had great hopes that he would be able to get Sevenoaks tower for a meeting, and if so he would arrange to hold the annual district meeting there instead of at Tonbridge. He also spoke a few words of encouragement to the local ringers, who are a young band recently formed, and are receiving instruction from Mr. C. H. Sone, of Linton.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the members again adjourned to the tower, and as in the afternoon, touches in various methods were rung by mixed bands.

**MORE PROGRESS AT BURSLEM.**

Further progress was made at Burslem, on Tuesday, Sept. 14th, by the local ringers at St. John's Church, when they scored a 720 on Violet Treble Bob, their first in this method: A. Lees 1, L. Pennington 2, T. Hurd (conductor) 3, J. Hurd 4, T. Hilditch 5, W. Bourne (tenor) 6.

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### RINGING TOURS.

There is a delightful uncertainty about peals, and it is this element that really makes them worth the ringing. The same seriousness does not always enter into peal attempts, but however well-intentioned and determined a band may be, there are many causes which may bring the best endeavours to an uncompleted end. If what some people generalise as 'luck' enters into peal-ringing, then surely the men who have just concluded an itinerary in Herefordshire have had the worst that any bell-ringing tourists have experienced. To attempt a peal, and sometimes more than one, every day for a week and not to meet with a single success, is just about the limit of fickleness on the part of Dame Fortune; but doubtless the visitors, who gathered from distant parts of England, found some compensation in the social side of the outing, for we read that they were not 'downhearted.'

Contrast this lack of success—counted in terms of peals—with the result of the tour in Essex, the records of which are published to-day. Here, eleven peals, all of them in Surprise methods, were rung, and there were only three failures. To score peals in the higher methods at this rate is a triumph, even for a band of such excellent ringers as formed the Essex party, but it can hardly be termed a 'holiday' except in the sense that it is a change of occupation. Those who have taken part in peal-ringing tours arranged by Mr. William Pye know the earnestness with which they are undertaken. On these trips the peals are the thing, and one has only to turn to the records to see how successful in their main objective these well-organised tours have been, whether in districts where the bells are light or heavy or go well or badly. What is more, these excursions are undertaken by 'mixed' bands, which makes the result all the more creditable.

There is a pleasure in it, too, for the ringers. Unless there was a full measure of enjoyment, men would not, year after year, engage upon the strenuous type of holiday which continuous peal ringing means, and no one has a right to quarrel with the choice of those who spend a week in this way. But probably the majority of ringers would prefer the kind of ringing holiday which was indulged in by members of the Cambridge University Guild, who found recreation in one peal attempt a day, and visits for shorter lengths to other towers. This makes the serious business of the tour less of a physical tax, and gives more opportunity for the social phase of the re-union, which is so enjoyable a feature of these gatherings. To those who seek relaxation in their holidays, outings of this description have a great charm, and when one can, in addition, tour the country by car, there can be little more required to make this type of excursion one of the most pleasant that any ringer could desire.

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The following peals are the result of a week's ringing tour in Essex by members of

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION,  
BRAINTREE, ESSEX.**

On Saturday, Sept. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael the Archangel,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
Tenor 12½ cwt.**

WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. 2	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 6
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. FITSTOW. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.  
First Surprise peal on the bells.

**FELSTED, ESSEX.**

On Monday, Sept. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
At the Church of the Holy Cross,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
Tenor 12½ cwt.**

GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. Treble	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 5
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 3	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 7
WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by S. WILDE. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.  
First peal on the bells.

**HATFIELD BROAD OAK, ESSEX.**

On Monday, Sept. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
Tenor 19 cwt.**

ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. 2	GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. 6
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 3	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by T. T. GOFTON.  
First Surprise peal on the bells.

**COGGESHALL, ESSEX.**

On Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter ad Vincula,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
Tenor 19½ cwt.**

GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. Treble	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 5
WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 3	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

**FEERING, ESSEX.**

On Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
Tenor 18 cwt.**

GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 6
REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

**GREAT TEY, ESSEX.**

On Wednesday, Sept. 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Barnabas,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
Tenor 15 cwt.**

REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 6
GEORGE B. LUCAS ... .. 3	WILLIAM PYE ... .. 7
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.  
Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.



## EARLS COLNE, ESSEX.

On Wednesday, Sept. 15, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR EDWARDS ... .. Treble	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 5
REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. 2	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 7
WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

## HALSTEAD, ESSEX.

On Thursday, Sept. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... .. Treble	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 3	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 7
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.  
First Surprise peal on the bells.

## SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.

On Thursday, Sept. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
ARTHUR EDWARDS ... .. 2	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.  
First Surprise peal on the bells.

## ARDLEIGH, ESSEX.

On Friday, Sept. 17, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

ALBERT W. COLES ... .. Treble	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 5
*RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. 3	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.  
\* First peal in the method.

## WIDFORD, ESSEX.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

HAROLD W. CLARKE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 6
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 7
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.  
First peal in the method on the bells.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST.

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.

WILLIAM D. SMITH ... .. Treble	*FREDERICK WHITE ... .. 6
*ERNEST GOWER ... .. 2	JOHN JAY ... .. 7
WILLIAM WATTS ... .. 3	ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. 8
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 4	ROBERT J. DAZE ... .. 9
*GEORGE W. STOKES ... .. 5	JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.  
\* First peal of Royal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

BOLTON, BRADFORD.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

JONAS AMBLER ... .. Treble	PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. 5
REV. C. C. MARSHALL ... .. 2	GEORGE NAYLOR ... .. 6
JOHN R. LAWSON ... .. 3	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 7
JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 4	JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. HARDY. Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

This peal was rung on the occasion of the marriage at the above church of Mr. James Cotterell, the respected treasurer of the Yorkshire Association, to Miss Lily Ingram, of Bradford, the ringers wishing them every happiness. Mr. John Austin hails from Gloucester, and was on a visit to Mr. T. Maude, of Pudsey.

## WESTMEON, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb.

MATTHEW ELLSMORE ... .. Treble	ALFRED MEARS ... .. 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 2	JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... .. 6
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... .. 3	ANDREW MEARS ... .. 7
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... .. 4	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

The first peal of Bob Major on the bells.

## SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN DIVISION.)

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN JOYCE ... .. Treble	*HARRY STOTT ... .. 5
THOMAS B. KENDALL ... .. 2	JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. 6
HERBERT HAIGH ... .. 3	†ERNEST H. SIMPSON ... .. 7
JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 4	†ROBERT BURNAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST H. SIMPSON.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal. ‡ First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a wedding peal for Mr. Cotterell, treasurer for the Yorkshire Association.

## SAWLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 9½ cwt.

*F. W. TURNER ... .. Treble	E. C. CHASTY ... .. 5
R. HICKTON ... .. 2	*G. W. BOSWORTH ... .. 6
N. H. WIDDOWSON ... .. 3	W. R. DRAGE ... .. 7
R. A. HICKTON ... .. 4	J. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by W. R. DRAGE.

\* First peal and first attempt. Mr. Bosworth and Mr. Turner were elected members previous to starting.

## MIDDLESBROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Monday, Sept. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT ST. HILDA'S PARISH CHURCH.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*THOMAS ROE ... .. Treble	†HENRY CLAYTON ... .. 5
†SYDNEY TUNNELL ... .. 2	JOHN G. HALL ... .. 6
WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... .. 3	JOHN PASSMAN ... .. 7
THOMAS METCALFE ... .. 4	*WILLIAM W. ELLERINGTON Tenor

Composed by W. A. THOMPSON. Conducted by W. A. BRECKON.

\* First peal and first attempt. † First peal in the method. ‡ First peal on an inside bell. J. G. Hall's 100th peal. Arranged for H. Clayton, who hails from ...

STONELEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5240 CHANGES;

AN IRREGULAR SIX-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

CHARLES H. WEBB ... .. Treble	SAMUEL WHITE ... .. 5
ROWLAND BARROW ... .. 2	FRED COTTON ... .. 6
HARRY BRIGGS ... .. 3	CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... .. 7
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 4	ARTHUR WHITING ... .. Tenor

Composed by EDGAR C. SHEPHERD, M.M.

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal 'inside.' † First peal. Rung to commemorate the 22nd anniversary of the opening of the present peal of eight at this church, and as a 70th birthday compliment to the 3rd ringer. The composition is now rung for the first time, and is the conductor's 100th peal for the M.C.A. The band wish to thank the Rector for permission to ring this peal.

CANTERBURY, KENT.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Monday, Sept. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

AT ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, HACKINGTON,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' ONE-PART.

Tenor 11 cwt.

FRED G. BRETT ... .. Treble	EDWARD H. KING ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	CHARLES W. BRETT ... .. 6
ALFRED A. ANDREWS ... .. 3	EDWIN G. BUESDON ... .. 7
HENRY G. FAIRBRASS ... .. 4	GEORGE J. JENKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

The conductor's 250th peal and 100 as conductor.

DOVER, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Sept. 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN THOMAS ... .. Treble	EDWIN L. MILES ... .. 5
HORACE WHITEHEAD ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. ELLIOTT ... .. 6
HERBERT J. SAUNDERS ... .. 3	CHARLES TURNER ... .. 7
EDWARD H. KING ... .. 4	RICHARD H. STEVENS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal in the method. Messrs. Thomas and King hail from Edmonton, the rest are of the local band.

CHATHAM.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday, Sept. 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 25 cwt. in E flat.

H. SPRINGATE ... .. Treble	CLER. SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. 5
J. HUNT ... .. 2	F. BELSEY ... .. 6
S. SHELLOCK ... .. 3	C. NORRIS ... .. 7
F. RICHARDSON ... .. 4	G. LAWRENCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. BELSEY.

This is the first peal on the bells since they were re-hung.

MARKET HARBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DIONYSIUS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.

ALBERT MARTIN ... .. Treble	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 5
FRED STANFORTH ... .. 2	ARTHUR MANNING ... .. 6
WILLIAM HECTOR ... .. 3	JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 7
FRANK PROCTOR ... .. 4	ARTHUR CATTELL ... .. Tenor

Arranged by ERNEST MORRIS.

Conducted by FRED STANFORTH.

\* First peal of Triples. Mr. F. Proctor hails from Grantham, and was elected a member of the M.C.A. before starting. This variation is rung in this form for the first time.

EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5036 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. Treble	ALFRED CRIPPS ... .. 5
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ... .. 2	WILLIAM C. HART ... .. 6
JOHN RICE ... .. 3	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 7
OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

FOXWORTH, ESSEX.

THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. Treble	THOMAS CHINNERY ... .. 5
ERNEST AMBROSE ... .. 2	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... .. 6
WILLIAM UNDERWOOD ... .. 3	ARTHUR MAXIM ... .. 7
JOHN R. POULSON ... .. 4	SAMUEL EVANS ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by SAMUEL EVANS.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, DERITEND,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

EDWARD REEVES ... .. Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 5
THOMAS MILLER ... .. 2	OLIVER G. NORMAN ... .. 6
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. 3	HARRY DICKENS ... .. 7
FRANK J. SMALLWOOD ... .. 4	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by OLIVER G. NORMAN.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

HARRY HALL ... .. Treble	GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... .. 5
LESLIE WIGHTMAN ... .. 2	ALFRED WATSON ... .. 6
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 3	WILLIAM G. CRICKMER ... .. 7
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEO. H. CROSS.

\* First peal in the method. This composition is now rung for the first time.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

ROYDON, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Sept. 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

42 differently called six-scores.

Tenor 9 cwt.

ISAAC CAVIL ... .. Treble	JAMES MANSFIELD ... .. 4
WILLIAM MARRABLE ... .. 2	HENRY SHUTTLEWOOD ... .. 5
WILLIAM LITTLECHILD ... .. 3	BEN GEORGE BURTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by I. CAVIL.

\* First peal and first attempt. Messrs. Mansfield and Burton hail from Nazeing, the rest belong to the local band.

NAZEING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 10 six-scores of Plain Bob and 32 of Grandsire. Tenor 10 cwt.

BEN GEORGE BURTON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM LITTLECHILD ... .. 3
WILLIAM MARRABLE ... .. 2	JAMES MANSFIELD ... .. 4
ISAAC CAVIL ... .. 3	...

Conducted by I. CAVIL.

## BURGH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Botolph,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob.

P.C. WALTER BRUCE... ..Treble	FRANK L. FISHER ... .. 4
GEORGE R. FINCH ... .. 2	CHARLES E. FISHER ... .. 5
GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	GEORGE W. ABLITT ... ..Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

This peal rung to oblige the ringer of the treble, who was home on holiday, and it was his first peal in seven methods.

## BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Bridget,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 9 cwt.

ROBERT SUMMERS ... ..Treble	JOHN CLARK ... .. 4
WALTER POSTON ... .. 2	JAMES P. HYETT ... .. 5
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON... ..Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

## HANDBELL PEAL

## BIRMINGHAM.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, Sept. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

In the Cathedral Belfry,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES:

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 1-2	FRANK W. PERRENS .. .. 7-8
ALBERT WALKER... .. 3-4	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 9-10
JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11-12

Composed and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

Referee: ALBERT E. NORMAN.

## AMONG THE TEN-BELL TOWERS OF EAST RIDING.

The lure of Beverley and its neighbouring towers, replete with musical rings of ten, tempted the Newcastle Cathedral Guild to put them to the test, and after depositing our luggage at the hotel and some lunch inside us, we essayed a 5001 at the Minster. The homing-course, however, proved too much for the nerves of some of the 'veterans,' and a beautifully struck peal of Stedman Caters was lost in the last five sixes, after 3 hours and 35 minutes of it.—The Vicar (Canon A. E. Nolloth), who had so kindly granted us the use of his magnificent peal with its noble tenor of 42 cwt., afterwards displayed to us the beauties of the Minster, and without a doubt it was the most interesting hour and a half the Guild has ever spent. Steeped in bell-jore and antiquarian knowledge as the Canon is, it was delightful to listen to him as he took us over nave and chancel, screens, shrines, chapels, windows, statuary, monuments, and the hundred and one things his beloved church is famous for. Should he chance to see this report we trust he will be assured of our gratitude.

The following morning and afternoon we rang for service at both Minster and St. Mary's, the latter being a grand second in musical properties to the former. At three o'clock we set off for Hull, and rang several touches at Holy Trinity for evensong. There we met our old friend and former hon. secretary of the Durham and Newcastle Association, Mr. A. M. C. Field, with many of the local ringers. The methods tackled were Erin and Stedman Caters and Forward Royal, and we wish here to compliment the local men on the excellent condition of their bells and tower.

Next day, Monday Sept. 13th (unlucky day), we started early for a peal of Erin Caters by kind permission of the Rev. G. H. Kirby Vicar, but shortly after the bells had been turned into the inverted home position, the bells ran round through a change-course at the light end, after 2 hours and 20 minutes' pretty tapping. Bidding farewell to Beverley and its hospitable ringers, though still anathematising our ill-luck, we made for the Abbey at Selby, where we were heartily greeted by Mr. Cryer and his merry men. He graciously allowed us to handle his 'pets' to a few touches of Caters and Royal, and right glad were we of the opportunity, for the bells were not only worth listening to, but were so fine in the 'go' that the men at the heavy end had little more exertion than those at the light.

Indeed this can be said, too, of the rings at Beverley, and we are grateful to both the steeplekeepers there for the painstaking way in which everything was made as safe and comfortable as possible for a peal. At 8.30 we separated, four of us to return to Newcastle, the other six making for Pontefract, where they enjoyed a ring on another fine peal of ten on the Tuesday, and also sampled a peal of eight. This of course, with the kindly help of the local ringers. C. L. R.

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## THE FAILURES OF A RINGING HOLIDAY.

### EIGHT PEALS ATTEMPTED—EIGHT LOST

Saturday, Sept. 11th: Double Norwich, at Ross, 2.50, 4th rope broke.  
Sunday, 12th: Stedman Triples, at Clifford, 1.20, conductor asleep.  
Tuesday, 14th: Cambridge Surprise, at Burghill, 2.40, conductor lost.  
Wednesday, 15th: Stedman Caters, at Hereford, 1.30, 9th rope slipped wheel.

Thursday, 16th: Cambridge Surprise, at Burghill, 10, man ill.  
Thursday, 17th: Stedman Triples, at Church Stretton 4.0, band off colour.

Thursday, 17th: Double Norwich, at Knighton, 2.50, 'call' missed.  
Saturday 18th: Abandoned at Wistonstow, too late for attempt.  
Sunday, 19th: Bob Major, at Clun, 1.0, band asleep.

A correspondent thus epitomises the week's tour of members of the Hereford Diocesan Guild in the counties of Hereford and Salop, and adds: The members of the party were not 'down-hearted,' and from accounts to hand appear to have had an enjoyable time. The 'Ringing World' is asked to convey the thanks of all those on tour to everyone who helped in the arrangements for bed, board and rope. Thirteen towers were visited, and three of them on a second occasion, but no hindrance or delay occurred at either belfry. Mr. C. Edwards, for Herefordshire, and Mr. Wm. Mead, for Shropshire, kindly acted as local organisers.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

It will probably never be known how Chesterfield spire got the hump. All historians differ in their theories. That the sun had warped it (being built of wood) is current in some quarters; another, that the original arrangements did not include a spire, but the builder had to put one up before he was allowed to see the colour of his money and in revenge he threatened to build one to be remembered! and another, that it was an architect's freak—and on examination this is most likely. Certain it is that it commences from the battlements as a 'spiral' spire, but finishes off hump-backed obviously before reaching its intended apex. Still, it is a landmark and a first-rate advertisement.

Saturday, Sept. 18th, saw the above association meeting at the twisted steeple, and visitors came from Derby, Notts, Burton-on-Trent, Loughboro', Leicester, etc. The ten bells were going soon after 2 p.m., when Treble Ten, Stedman and Grandsire Caters were rung, and, later on, Superlative, Cambridge and London. The tower is a fine old structure inside and out. The former appeals most to the ringer, and there he can read upon the walls of the deeds of those doughty men long gone to dust. A hundred years ago the bells were opened and three teams took part. The first day's ringing covered three peals complete! The local ringers say that Chesterfield bells require rehanging. If they are rehanging it should be as a ring of twelve, but thanks to whoever looks after them to-day, the writer saw no cause for complaint compared with some rings.

The tea took place at a local cafe, and was well served, when 30 sat down. In the absence of the president (Ald. R. B. Chambers, J.P.), the Rector of All Saints', Chesterfield, the Rev. Canon Shaw was voted to the chair, on the proposition of Mr. W. Willson (treasurer), seconded by Mr. A. C. Wright (secretary).

The business of the meeting was of a purely routine character, several new honorary and ringing members being elected.—Votes of thanks to the local officers and to the clergy were carried unanimously, and Canon Shaw replied in a humorous speech.

It should be mentioned that although Chesterfield is known throughout the world for its crooked spire, it is better known among ringers for a still more remarkable product.—Mr. Arthur Knights, whose name will last as long as the spire.

## LEICESTER DISTRICT MEETING.

The third quarterly meeting of the Leicester District was held at Thureaston on Sept. 11th, when a good number of members attended. Ringing was indulged in during the afternoon and evening, when all expressed their approval of the new floor, which has made an almost deafening peal quite a pleasure to ring, while the new trebles have provided a fine light peal of eight within easy reach of Leicester.

At the business meeting, held in the Vestry, Mr. G. Cleal presided. After a discussion on the recent controversy in the 'Ringing World' it was moved, seconded, and carried, that 'The Leicester District had every confidence in Mr. E. Morris as a member of the committee.'

Arising out of the above discussion, a resolution was passed asking for a portion of the general funds to be used for furthering the instruction of country members in the art. An amendment was also suggested for the wording of rule 12, re peal ringing on meeting days. These motions were to be brought before the general meeting at Chesterfield.—Votes of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, to the local band for their hospitality, and to chairman for presiding, brought the meeting to a close.

## LADIES' GUILD PRESIDENT'S WEDDING.

The marriage is to take place at St. Michael's Church, Basingstoke, next Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., of Miss Rosetta Alice White (elder daughter of the late Mr. Harry White), and Mr. Joseph C. Salvaneschi, General Manager at Liverpool of the Liverpool Telephone (New System) Co.

Miss White, as is well known, is the President of the Ladies' Guild



## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## THE YEAR'S WORK.

The annual meeting was held at Eccles, near Manchester, on Saturday last, when the towers of Pendleton and Worsley, as well as the Parish Church, were thrown open from 10 a.m. In two of them the early birds attempted a peal, but with nothing to record. The service was arranged by the Rev. H. N. Ross, B.D. (Vicar), who was assisted by the Rev. G. Vaughan, while the address was given by the Rev. H. L. Fosbrook, the Vicar of Pendleton.

In the course of his address, the speaker said he only undertook the task of speaking to such a gathering of ringers on the understanding that he knew nothing of bell ringing. He appreciated the man who could tell the difference between Grandsire Triples, and, say, Surprise Major, but in the interviews he had had with his 'skipper' he got further muddled instead of getting a clearer insight into the mysteries of the art. Speaking in general terms, he could not help thinking that bell ringers are not quite an ordinary set of men. Men who would spend a Saturday afternoon within the four walls of a tower, working hard, perspiring freely, looking into each other's faces with that earnestness which the art of bell ringing demands, were men out of the common. The ringers in the past, he thought, had themselves to blame somewhat for their bad name. His first recollections were of a hole in the wall in the church out of which eight or nine men came when service began. He used to wonder how such big men could get through such a small opening. They walked straight down the aisle and out of the west door, passing two or three pews with a cord across, which, as he got older, he found were reserved for the ringers—these men he had watched come out of the hole in the wall so often. Coming to later times he mentioned the Church Councils under the new Act, and spoke of one ringer who was duly elected to that Council, but who the Vicar of the parish ruled out, as he was not a regular communicant, according to the prayer-book teaching. That ringer and the rest of his band had come out on strike as a protest. The speaker concluded by exhorting those present to live up to the ideal of being church officers, as well as men.

Immediately following the service, the tea was held in the schools, arranged by the local ringers. The one jarring note of the day came in here, the caterers complaining that only 47 names were received, while nearly 140 arrived, which necessitated two sittings with a certain amount of discomfort to all.

The business proceedings were presided over by Canon Elsee, who thanked the Vicar and others for the kind welcome extended to the association.

Mr. J. H. Banks read the report of the committee, which stated that the association was 1,340 strong, with 1,084 performing members in the county. The income for the year was £46 17s. 2d., while the expenses were £55 1s. 5d. The chief items of expenditure were representatives' expenses to Central Council, the annual reports, and, owing to the railway strike, extra expenses and loss on tea at Liverpool last year. The peals recorded were 59, the difference in the total compared with the Central Council figures being accounted for by the financial year closing on August 31st. Special mention was made of the deaths of Messrs. W. Heaton of Colne, aged 87, and John Millett of Heywood. The committee added the report, were keeping in mind the formation of a new branch at Wigan, and had received an offer at a secretary pro tem. The bells at Holy Trinity, Bolton, which were burnt out last November, had been recast by the original founders, Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and were ready for rehanging. All four of the association's representatives attended the Central Council. The report closed with the best thanks to the branch secretaries for carrying on the work of the association.

As there was only one nomination for each of the offices of president, general secretary and treasurer, they were re-elected, with thanks for past services, which they suitably acknowledged.

A ballot was taken for the election of Central Council representatives, which resulted in the Rev. Canon Elsee and Messrs. J. H. Banks, J. Low and W. E. Wilson being elected.

The discussion on the alteration of date of the annual meeting resulted in the present rule being retained, and, therefore, the association will continue to hold the meeting on the last Saturday in September.

The motion with reference to the admission of probationary members was not carried, the members being of opinion that the time was not ripe for alteration of the constitution of the association.

The meeting closed with thanks to the various authorities for the use of the bells; to the ringers at the various towers for meeting the members; and to the Eccles ringers, with their lady friends, for arranging such a good tea.—Mr. John Jackson, in reply, said the late Mr. Barratt set them a high standard of catering, and they were pleased to think their efforts were appreciated.

## NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting of the Norwich and Ipswich Association was held at Stradbroke on Saturday last. The attendance was affected by the rain, but representatives were present from Aklburgh, Debenham, Eye, Fressingfield, Laxfield, Pulham Market, Redenhall, Silton, Thelford and Thornham, and touches of Plain Boh, Grandsire, Oxford, Superlative and Stedman were rung.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## MEETING AT MILTON ABBEY.

The last of the summer meetings of the Dorchester Branch was held at Milton Abbey on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Milton is a favourite and charming place for these meetings. The Abbey is a structure of great architectural beauty, and worthily entitled to rank among the noblest ecclesiastical buildings in the country. The county of Dorset is the only county in England which contains three great Minsters, of non-cathedral rank, viz., Sherborne, Wimborne and Milton, and each of these Minsters is of Saxon and royal foundation. King Athelstan, grandson of Alfred the Great, founded the Monastery and Collegiate Church of Milton in the year 938, as a thankoffering to God for a remarkable revelation which he received on Milton Hill, and which told him that he would conquer his many enemies and become King of all England.

The village is a model grown old. Its story is very simple. When Joseph Damer, afterwards Earl of Dorchester, became possessed of the Milton estate, it was a prosperous town, and he found it too near to the spot where he intended to build his mansion. With the fine quarter-deck, high-handedness of the 18th-century squire, he ordered the offensive object to be removed, and it was so. This old town possessed many streets and many taverns. It possessed a brewery of great renown, as well as a Grammar School, founded in 1521. It almost passes belief that the whole of this ancient town, its rectory, its school, its almshouses, etc., were all swept off the earth because this Joseph Damer decreed the town too close to his residence. He fell upon it and destroyed it as Vesuvius overwhelmed Pompeii. One resident put a difficulty in his lordship's way by refusing to sell his lease, so the waters crept round his premises. This resident entered an action against him for flooding his house and won his case. A few days afterwards his lordship went to London, and on his way to Blandford he heard the bells of the Abbey Church. This he interpreted as a sign of parochial joy at his defeat and departure, and nothing would satisfy him but the sale of the offending bells. The bells were really ringing to commemorate Guy Fawkes' Day; it was the 5th of November. But the bells had to go for his lordship's 'the autocrat' had spoken, and his friend the Dean of Norwich (different to the present one) had said bell ringing caused much idleness and drinking. The great tenor bell weighing 35 cwt. was sold to Bath Abbey, and two other of the bells were given to St. James' Church, Milton, but what became of the rest is not known. There is a record, however, that when the parishioners saw their old bells carted away they stood at their house doors weeping. Happily, however, Milton has now another peal of bells.

The motor char-a-banc was in evidence for Saturday week, and starting at one end of the district picked up members on the way until it was laden, and unfortunately some were disappointed in not getting a lift. The drive and scenery were greatly enjoyed. A ball was called at Puddletown, the 'Weatherbury' of Thomas Hardy's 'Far from the Madding Crowd' and a touch on the six bells was indulged in. The road from here goes over the downs, and then sinks into a wooded glen at the shallow entrance of which it vanishes. Once in the woods it makes a bend, and on a sudden this famous village of Milton bursts into view. The first impression is one of amazement, for the place is both extraordinary and unexpected. Indeed, there is nothing like it in any part of England.

Members attended the meeting from Buckhorn Weston, Dorchester, Fordington, Hilton, Swindon, Swanage, Wool and Wyke Regis, and there was a full muster of the local band. The bells were rung during the afternoon, and the Guild service was held in the Abbey, conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. F. W. Aldros, who also gave an excellent address, and welcomed the Guild to Milton.

Tea was provided at the Hambro Arms, the members (41 in number) being the guests of the Vicar.

The business meeting followed. In the absence of the chairman of the district, Major Hughes D'Aeth (Master of the Guild) took the chair, and was supported by the Vicar, Mr. J. H. Sheppard (Swindon), and officers of the Guild. Apologies for absence were received from the Rev. F. L. Edwards (general secretary), the Rev. C. A. Phillips (secretary East Dorset Branch), the Rev. C. C. Niven, Canon Barclay, and others.

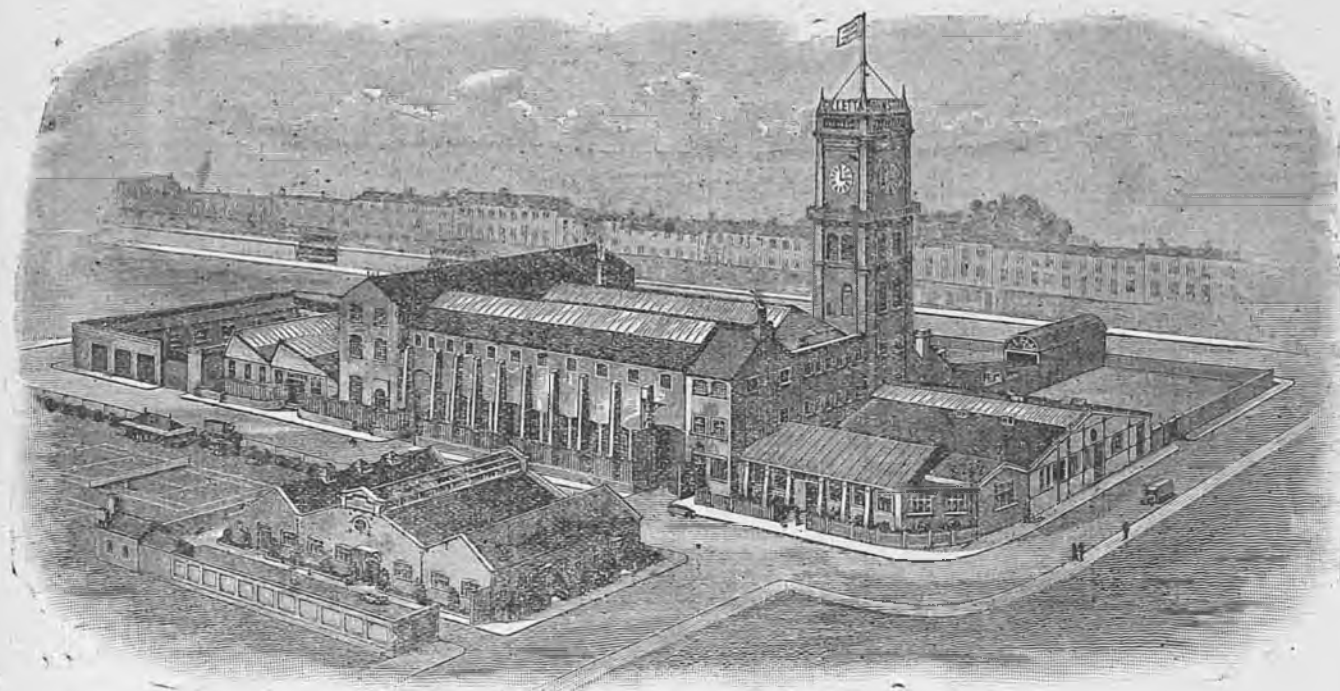
The Vicar was elected an honorary member of the Guild, and three ringing members were also elected. Fordington was chosen as the place for the next meeting (annual).

Major D'Aeth proposed, and Mr. Rus, seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for his kindness in providing them with such a bountiful tea; also for the service, and giving such an helpful address, and for the use of the Abbey and bells.—A vote of thanks was also passed to the organist and local band, and a welcome was given to Mr. Sheppard, of Swindon.

The Hon. Secretary made a special appeal for a greater support of the 'Ringing World,' and a vote of thanks to the chairman then concluded the business. The members motored to Bere Regis and Hilton, and enjoyed some nice lunches, and all agreed that the meeting had been a happy and pleasant one.

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LADIES' GUILD.—Midland District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Selly Oak on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available at 3.30. Guild Service at 4.30, to be followed by tea and the business meeting. All ringers welcome.—S. Pigott, 41, Cemetery Road, Smethwick.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division.—The District Annual meeting will be held at West Ham on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.45 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.—E. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath, Essex.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Ringmer, on Saturday, October 2nd. Bells available during afternoon and evening. Service at 4.30, with an Address by the Rev. G. R. Leefe. Tea at 5 p.m. in the Parish Room (1s. 6d. per head). Half-rail fares (maximum 2s.) and half-cost of Tea. Business Meeting to follow.—Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. District Secretary, 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Northampton District.—A special meeting will be held at Piddington on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock.—S. J. Laurence, 7, Castilian Terrace, Northampton.

ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A District meeting will be held at Ickleton (6 bells) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells available afternoon and evening.—A. E. Austin, District Sec., 4, Hills View, Gt. Shelford, Cambs.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A combined practice will be held at St. Nicholas', Godstone, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Tower open from 5.30 till 9 p.m. All ringers cordially invited.—N. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Northaw on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells from 3.30. Short service at 5.30, tea and meeting to follow. Trains to Cuffley from King's Cross at 2.3, 2.39, 3.10; from Broad Street at 1.58, 2.27, 2.41; to Potter's Bar from King's Cross at 2.30 and 3.30; from Broad Street at 2.18. Will members whose subscriptions for 1920 are still outstanding kindly forward same?—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 5.30, followed by tea and business meeting, at the invitation of the Vicar (Rev. F. Marriott). The bells of St. Mary's will also be available during the afternoon.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—The Autumn meeting will be held at Birchington

on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. The bells of Birchington (8) and Quex Park (12) will be available at 3 o'clock. Half railway fares up to 2/- allowed. Tea kindly provided by the Vicar in the Institute Hall.—E. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The October meeting will be held at Beighton on Saturday, the 2nd. Six bells. Beighton Station, G.C. Railway.—Sam Thomas, 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—The unveiling of the Memorial Peal Tablet to the late Mr. G. H. Kettle will take place at Allesley Church on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, at 4 o'clock. The bells (6) will be available from 3 o'clock.—J. H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at East Brent on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Service at 3 o'clock, tea and meeting after. Bells (6) afternoon and evening.—G. Chamberlain, Hon. Sec., Burnham-on-Sea.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The two trebles bequeathed to make a peal of ten by the late Lieut. R. W. Falconar will be dedicated at All Saints', Gosforth, Newcastle, on Sunday, Oct. 3rd, at 11 a.m. The members generally of the Association are invited to an opening ringing day on Saturday, Oct. 9th, starting 2.30 p.m. Tea will be provided by kind invitation of Mr. J. W. Falconar, father of the late donor, at the Masonic Hall, Wish Avenue, Gosforth, at 5 p.m. Intending participants must advise the Hon. Secretary of the Gosforth Guild, Mr. Adam Deas, 45, High Street, Gosforth, before Tuesday, Oct. 5th.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The Quarterly general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes on Monday, Oct. 4th, to be followed by a special general meeting to consider the alteration of Rule 13. Tower open at 6.45. Business meeting 8 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Sec., 49, Noel Street, Islington.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral\* on Oct. 5th, Southwark Cathedral on Oct. 12th, St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Oct. 14th and 28th, St. Mary-le-Bow,\* Cheapside, on Oct. 19th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—The Annual General meeting will be held in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich, on Wednesday, Oct. 6th, at 2.30 p.m. The President, the Very Rev. the Dean of Norwich, D.D., in the chair. The ring of bells at St. Mary-le-Tower (12), St. Margaret's (8), St. Lawrence (5) St. Matthew's (5) will be open for the use of members throughout the day, except for Divine service. Divine service will be conducted at the church of St. Mary-le-Tower, at 12.30, preacher, the Rev. Francis L'Estrange Fawcett, Vicar of Stowmarket. The President and committee earnestly hope that all the members attending the annual meeting will be present at that service. Dinner will be served in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich, at 1.30, tickets 3/6 each. Those who intend to be present at the dinner must send notice to the Secretary before Sunday, Oct. 3rd. Committee meeting will be held at 11.30 a.m. in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich. Arrears for 1919, and subscriptions for the current year



should be paid at once, for the preparation of balance sheet for the year 1920.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., 'High Croft,' North Walsham.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at All Saints', Stand Whitefield, on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Meeting at 7 p.m.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above Branch will be held at Abbots Leigh on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock. Members requiring tea please notify Secretary not later than Oct. 3rd.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Northallerton on Saturday, Oct. 9th. The bells of the Parish Church will be available from 12 noon. Business meeting in the Church Room 3 p.m. Service in the Church 3.30, and tea in Parker's Refreshment Rooms at 4 p.m. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. Barnett, Court House, Northallerton, not later than Wednesday, Oct. 6th?—A. L. Henderson, Hon. District Sec., Pickering.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The annual party and meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 9th, at Todmorden Unitarian. Tickets, Gents 2/6, Ladies 2/3. Tickets may be had from Branch Secretary.—T. K. Driver, 99, Hunter Street, Middleton.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Leigh-on-Mendip on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business at 5 p.m.—I. B. Holmyard, Hon. Sec., School House, Midsomer Norton, Bath.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The quarterly meeting of the Eastern District will be held Goole, Oct. 9th. The bells will be available from 2 till 9 p.m. Service in Church at 4 with an address by the Vicar. Meat tea at 5 at 2/- per head in the Schoolroom, business meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present at tea kindly advise Mr. J. Drake, 29, Second Avenue, Goole, not later than Wednesday, October 6th?—W. Hinton, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—The autumn meeting will be held at Kidlington on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Service in the Parish Church at 3 p.m. Address given by the Rev. W. H. I. O'Rourke, Rector of Woodstock. Tea and business follows in the Schoolroom at 4 o'clock at 1s. each. All ringers welcome.—John Monk, Hon. Branch Sec., 17, Cape Terrace, Witney, Oxon.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-east Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Bampton on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells (6) available from 2.30. Service at 4.45. Tea at the Vicarage at 5.15, followed by general business meeting. Those requiring tea should notify me by the 6th.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Berkeley on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The next meeting will be held at Godalming on Saturday, Oct. 9th. The chair will be taken by his

Worship the Mayor of Godalming. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 5.30. Tea at 4.30, 1/- to members, 1/6 to visitors. Please let me know how many will require tea.—John J. Jones, Hon. Sec., 3, Bridge Street, Guildford.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Newcastle-under-Lyme on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Those who intend to be present please notify me on or before Oct. 4th. Business: War Memorial.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—Combined practice will be held on Monday, Oct. 11th, at St. Mary's, Battersea, from 7 to 9 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Withyham on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Tower open 2.30 and onward. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, 1/- to members. Half-railway fare, maximum 2/-. Those who intend to be present to tea should notify the undersigned not later than Tuesday, Oct. 12th.—A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—A special general meeting will be held at Finedon on Saturday, Oct. 16th, to consider the alteration of Rule 3. Owing to the importance of the business a good attendance is requested. Bells ready at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. Those requiring tea should notify Mr. G. Basford, Rock Terrace, Orchid Road, Finedon, by the 12th.—David J. Nichols, General Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The annual general meeting, which was postponed in July, will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Clapham Park, on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Several important matters will be discussed at this meeting, and it is hoped that members will make a special effort to attend. Will all members and friends intending to be present kindly notify me by Wednesday, Oct. 12th?—Edith K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Colne on Saturday, Oct. 22nd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (established 1637).—The 283rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Further particulars later.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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#### NEW BELLS AT GOSFORTH.

Two trobles to augment the peal at All Saints' Church, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne, to ten, have been erected, and will be dedicated on Sunday next at the morning service. The bells were bequeathed by the late Lieut. R. W. Falconer, who fell in the war.

The opening ringing day will be on Saturday, Oct. 9th, and members of the Durham and Newcastle Association will doubtless make the most of the opportunity.



**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A quarterly meeting of the Western Division was held at Pulborough on Saturday last, and proved to be one of the most successful meetings of the year. Members from the following towers were present, viz., Amberley, Billingshurst, Henfield, Heene, Kirdford, Slinfold and Lynminster, and the local band. The visitors present were: Messrs. Charman (Cranleigh), Mr. A. H. Winch and Mr. G. Marriner (Leatherhead). Some very good touches of Kent, Oxford Treble Bob, Grand-sire, Stedman Triples, were rung during the afternoon, and 25 sat down to an excellent tea at the Five Bells Inn.

At the business meeting which followed, Mr. Doick was voted to the chair; Messrs. Thomas Searl, Amberley, F. Brooks, M. Steyning, J. Steyning, G. W. Kilner, S. Kilner, T. Sopp, W. Sopp, H. Leslett, P. Duncton, and E. Wakeford, of Kirdford, were elected members, and Mrs. F. I. Hairs was elected as a life member.—It was proposed to hold the next quarterly meeting at Heene at the end of December.

The statement of accounts of the Harry Evans Memorial Fund showed subscriptions amounting to £11 17s. 6d., the expenses being £10 16s. for the scroll, and £1 1s. fee paid to the Vicar of Goring.—A vote of thanks was accorded to the secretary for his work in connection with the memorial.

Votes of thanks to the chairman for presiding and making the necessary arrangements, and to the Rector of Pulborough for granting the use of the bells, concluded the business.

A further visit was then paid to the belfry, and the bells kept going till 8 p.m.

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the Ilchester Deanery Branch was held at Yeovil on Saturday, Sept. 18th, when there was a good attendance from Mid-somer Norton, Yeovil, Ilminster, Martock, Curry Rivel, Huish Episcopi, Stoke-under-Ham, etc. Grand-sire Doubles, Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Bob Major were practised, and the fine ring of ten kept going until 8 p.m.

The President (the Rev. G. W. Saunders, Vicar of Martock) conducted the service in St. John's Church, and gave an interesting address on ancient ringing rules and associations. He also presided at the meeting in the belfry which followed the service.—Curry Rivel was chosen for the next meeting.—Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to Mr. Risdon for presiding at the organ.

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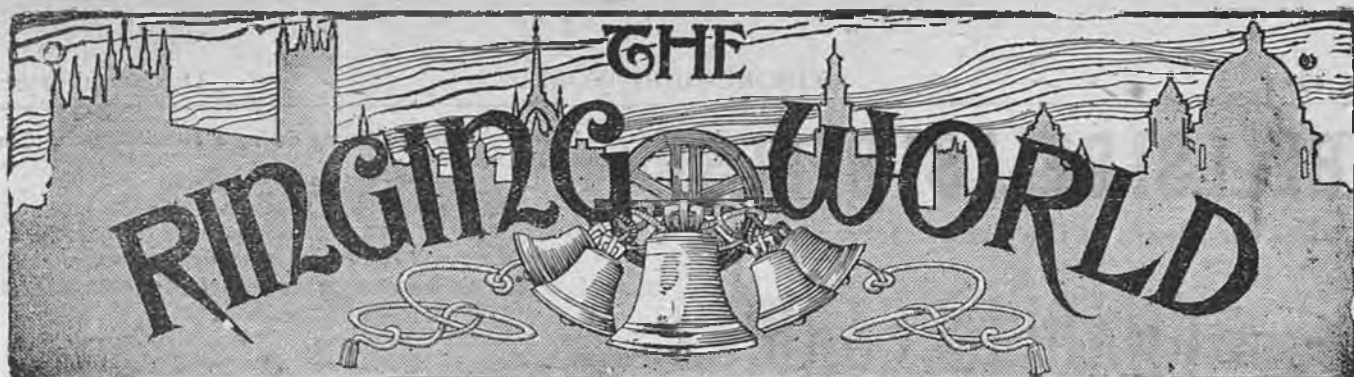
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## CLAIMS TO AUTHORSHIP.

The validity of many claims of the authorship of peals is raised again by a correspondent who points out that a number of new composers' names are appearing in conjunction with statements that the peals are rung for the first time, and suggests that many of the peals thus claimed are probably old ones or variations of old compositions. What the writer has to say has probably got a great deal of truth in it, and he proposes as a solution, so far as the peals of Treble Bob are concerned, the publication by the Central Council of the Treble Bob Collection enable composers to verify their claims, or alternatively that they should be published in 'The Ringing World.'

Dealing with the latter alternative first, we used in the past to publish, as far as we were able, all compositions rung for the first time, but the congestion caused by the present size of the paper is a handicap, to say the least, to any such course at the moment.

The other suggestion the Central Council have themselves ruled out for the present, on account of the high cost of printing. The manuscripts, however, will probably go into the new library, and will be available for inspection by those who desire to search its pages. To this mode of checking his products the genuine seeker after originality may be directed: but the composer, who attaches his name to a collection of course ends that run out true at something over five thousand changes, merely that he may have the self-satisfaction of seeing his name appear with the records of the peal, is scarcely likely to go to any such trouble. As a matter of fact, the mere publication of the figures of a peal is no sure safeguard against an old composition or a variation of it being claimed as original.

What is really wanted is some sort of central authority by whom all new compositions should be examined before any claim to originality should be admitted. To establish this body would be the business of the Central Council, although it would probably be a somewhat formidable task to organise the work at the outset. Such a method, however, seems to be the only way by which a real check could be established. With the many hundreds of peals of Bob Major, Double Norwich, Treble Bob, and so on, in existence, it is obviously a very difficult matter to get anything new that is worth ringing, for the manner in which the courses with the best music in them can be produced is more or less limited, particularly when it comes to productions which contain extents with bells in certain positions, and it therefore seems to need some kind of central authority, with all the compositions collected in easy reference form at its disposal, to settle claims to originality for every new peal that is rung.



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COLWALL, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11 cwt. in F.

JAMES H. SHEPHERD... .. Treble	*GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 5
*ERNEST BISHOP... .. 2	CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 3	*REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... .. 7
*REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... .. 4	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. Tenor

Composed by the REV. H. EARL BULMER.  
Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* Elected members of the Hereford Diocesan Guild at Ross on Sept. 11th. The band belong to the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

LEDGBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 5
JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... .. 2	*CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. 6
JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 3	*ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal in the method on the bells. \* Elected members of the Guild previously. All are also members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

HOLM LACY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

*GLADYS BATEMAN ... .. Treble	CECIL C. MAYNE... .. 5
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 2	ERNEST BISHOP ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 3	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

First peal of Major upon these bells. \* First lady to achieve a peal in the County of Hereford. Elected a member previous to the attempt.

LEOMINSTER, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE PRIORY CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22 cwt. in E flat.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	JAMES H. SHEPHERD... .. 6
JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 2	*JOHN EVANS ... .. 7
*ALBERT WALKER ... .. 3	ERNEST BISHOP... .. 8
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 4	REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... .. 9
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 5	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN REEVE.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal of Royal upon the bells and by members of the Hereford Guild. \* Elected members before starting into changes. A birthday peal for the 4th man.

LUDLOW, SALOP.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23½ cwt. in D.

ALBERT WALKER ... .. Treble	CECIL C. MAYNE... .. 5
*GLADYS BATEMAN ... .. 2	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... .. 6
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 3	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 4	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

First peal of Major upon the bells. \* First lady to score Major in the County of Salop.



### CLUN SHROPSHIRE THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in F.

CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. Treble	JOHN EVANS ... .. 5
JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 2	*EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... 6
CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... Tenor

Composed by THOMAS DAY. Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

First peal in the method on the bells. \*Elected a life member of the Guild previously. Ringers of 1, 3, 5, 6 and 8, together with the Vicar and Mr. D. T. Matkin, were elected members of St. George's Society, Clun.

### KNIGHTON, RADNORSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 20, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in G.

DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. Treble	JOHN EVANS ... .. 5
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. 3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 4	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

First peal of Major in the County of Radnor.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

### SHREWSBURY, SHROPSHIRE. THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

(THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY AND ST. CHAD'S SOCIETY,  
SHREWSBURY.)

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5015 CHANGES;

Tenor 39 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in B.

SAMUEL WOOD ... .. Treble	HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 7
CHARLES BOWER ... .. 2	*RICHARD T. HOLDING ... 8
HARRY HEAP ... .. 3	*GEORGE JONES ... .. 9
JOSEPH MELLOR ... .. 4	*WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... 10
TOM WILDE ... .. 5	*CHARLES R. LILLEY ... 11
SAMUEL BOOTH ... .. 6	*WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... Tenor

Composed by S. WOOD. Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\*First peal of Cinques. †First peal of Grandsire Cinques. First peal of Cinques on St. Chad's bells since they were recast, and first peal of Cinques for the Salop Guild. The ringers of the front six hail from Ashton-under-Lyne, 7th from Chester, 8th Crewe, 10th Market Drayton, tenor Coalbrookdale, 9th and 11th local.

### IPSWICH SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5031 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt.

JAMES MOTTS ... .. Treble	JAMES ROSE ... .. 7
EDGAR PEMBERTON ... .. 2	CHARLES CATCHPOLE ... 8
EDWARD EVANS ... .. 3	CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... 9
ROBERT H. BRUNDLE ... .. 4	WILLIAM BURGESS ... .. 10
WILLIAM P. GARRETT ... .. 5	FREDERICK S. TILLET ... 11
GEORGE SYMONDS ... .. 6	ARTHUR S. BOAR ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late W. L. CATCHPOLE. Conducted by J. MOTTS.  
Rung as a farewell peal for Mr. A. S. Boar.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

### NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE. DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;

Tenor 37½ cwt.

ROBERT RICHARDS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM STORY ... .. 6
JOHN MCKEAGH ... .. 2	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 7
JOSEPH ROWELL ... .. 3	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... .. 8
THOMAS T. GOSTON ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 9
REV. A. T. BEESTON ... .. 5	BENJAMIN C. DIXON ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

### AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.

### THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Treble	*JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 6
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 2	*ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 7
*WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 3	*NORMAN R. BAILEY ... 8
JOHN MOY ... .. 4	*GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 9
*CHARLES E. NEWLAND ... 5	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\*First peal of Treble Ten. †First peal of Kent Royal. First peal of Treble Ten as conductor. This composition is now rung for the first time and contains 5th and 6th the extent in 6th's, and the 4th extent in 5th's, without the 2nd and 3rd in 6th's.

### STRAND, LONDON.

### THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. Treble	THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	WILLIAM BERRY ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 8
GEORGE CARD ... .. 4	HORATIO J. GUMMER ... 9
WALTER G. MATTHEWS ... 5	*PERCIVAL W. NORTON ... Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\*First peal on ten. Rung in honour of the Tercentenary of the departure of the Pilgrim Fathers in the 'Mayflower' and on the 67th birthday of the Hon. Treasurer of the Association, Walter G. Matthews.

### NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

### THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Sept. 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WOOLDS,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

*JOHN GODDARD ... .. Treble	FREDERICK VILES ... .. 6
FRED ATWELL ... .. 2	CHARLES GREEDY ... .. 7
*JOHN BULLEN ... .. 3	WALTER FARLEY ... .. 8
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... 9
ARTHUR E. MORGAN ... 5	*FREDERICK STANBURY ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD. Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

\*First peal of Caters. Arranged specially for Mr. Walter Farley, who hails from Wells, Somerset.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

### NEWPORT, SALOP.

### THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... 5
WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... 6
HARRY F. HOLDING ... .. 3	*WALTER LAGO ... .. 7
RICHARD T. HOLDING ... 4	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\*First peal of Kent with a bob bell. First peal of Major on the bells.

### FEERING, ESSEX.

### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

JAMES FLEUTY ... .. Treble	JOHN SADLER ... .. 5
WALTER SADLER ... .. 2	WILLIAM ELLIOTT ... .. 6
*JOHN C. NEWMAN ... .. 3	ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM ... 7
FRANK CLAYTON ... .. 4	WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

\*First peal of Treble Bob. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Sadler.

## HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Sept. 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REGIMIUS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... Treble	EDWARD JENKINS ... 5
FRANK R. COPEMAN ... 2	GEORGE MAYERS ... 6
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 7
LESLIE WIGHTMAN ... 4	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

The conductor has now rung each of these bells to a peal.

## WILLESDBN, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... 6
CHARLES T. COLES ... 3	ALBERT W. COLES ... 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... 4	WILLIAM PYE ... Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal in the method on the bells.

## WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

JAMES E. GOFTON ... Treble	REV. A. T. BEESTON ... 5
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... 2	R. ALDER GOFTON ... 6
JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... 3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... 7
JOSEPH W. PARKER ... 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by JOSEPH A. GOFTON.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, Sept. 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S ODD BOB ONE-PART. Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.

ERNEST WEATHERBY ... Treble	GEORGE W. STEERE ... 5
CHARLES N. BURDOCK ... 2	HARRY BURDOCK ... 6
HENRY HUTTON ... 3	ALFRED H. PULLING ... 7
JOHN T. SCOTT ... 4	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Rung as a compliment to the conductor and Mrs. Pulling on the 16th anniversary of their wedding.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## KNIGHTON, LEICESTER.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Tuesday, Sept. 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 different 120's. Tenor 14 cwt.

*WILFRED BROTHWELL ... Treble	JAMES WILSON ... 3
*HARRY FARMER ... 2	ERNEST MORRIS ... 4
*WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... Tenor	

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal. First peal on these bells which have been five since 1880. Several local ringers were proposed members of the M.C.A. in the tower. The above peal was rung after several attempts by a fully local band. The conductor, who was invited to call this peal, hails from St. Margaret's, Leicester, the mother church of Knighton.

HORNCHURCH.—Essex Association.—On Sunday, August 22nd, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor, with 6-8 covering: D. Phillips 1, C. Bone 2, C. Baker 3, C. Harlow 4, J. Jarvice 5, J. Ellis 6, J. Dale (conductor) 7, E. Riseley 8. This is the first 720 rung by an entirely local band for over 70 years.

## HATTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 13½ cwt.

*WILLIAM MALE ... Treble	FRED GARDNER ... 4
HUBERT SUMMERS ... 2	JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... 5
JOHN TAYLOR ... 3	THOMAS MALE ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. W. WHITE.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor upon the bells. The ringers of 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, are members of the All Saints' Society, Allesley, and of the treble and tenor of St. Mary's, Warwick.

## CAPENHURST, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single Reverse, St. Clement's Bob, Oxford Single and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 12 cwt.

*JOHN COOK ... Treble	JAMES R. GRIFFIN ... 4
HERBERT LUDKIN ... 2	*THOMAS A. ROGERS ... 5
*HAROLD ROGERS ... 3	JOHN GREASLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by JAMES R. GRIFFIN.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal in seven methods. First peal on the bells. The band wish to tender their best thanks to Mr. Maddocks and family for their kind hospitality after the peal.

## BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN ... Treble	*TOM CHAMBERS ... 4
*ARTHUR INGHAM ... 2	*TOM STANCLIFFE ... 5
*FRED CHAMBERS ... 3	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... 6

FRED BRADLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

\* First peal. The ringer of 2nd hails from Church Kirk, the rest belong to local company. Rung on the occasion of the unveiling of St. Michael's Parish War Memorial.

## WISSETT, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(HALESWORTH DISTRICT.)

On Tuesday, Sept. 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Kent Treble Bob, three 720's of Plain Bob, and three 720's of Canterbury Pleasure.  
Tenor 10 cwt.

*ERNEST COOK ... Treble	ARTHUR H. TOOK ... 4
FREDERICK C. LAMBERT ... 2	JAMES HOWARD ... 5
WALTER KERRISON ... 3	JOHN LARTER ... Tenor

Conducted by F. C. LAMBERT.

\* First peal of Minor. Rung on the eve of St. Michael and All Angels' Day, and as a compliment to the ringer of the 5th, who recently completed 50 years' service in the same printing business.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

## LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Sept. 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Four Minutes,  
IN THE VESTRY OF ST. LAWRENCE'S CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

42 six-scores ten different callings. Tenor size 19 in F.

WILLIAM R. NASH ... 1-2	DANIEL T. MATKIN ... 3-4
*ARTHUR NASON ... 5-6	

Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

Witnesses: JOHN NASH, EDWARD NASH.

\* First peal on handbells and first attempt.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**

The autumn quarterly meeting of North Notts Association was held at Tuxford on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Tuxford possesses a ring of six bells, well hung, and in good order, but not the best for quality of tone. The place is easy of access by road and rail, so that it was not surprising that members turned up in good force from Barlboro', Norton Cuckney, Ordsall, East Markham, Laneham, Sutton-on-Trent, Gainsborough, Worksop, and Tuxford. The association was pleased to welcome the following members of kindred associations: Flight-Sergeant F. A. Holden (who had cycled 30 miles), the Rev. C. J. Sturton (Vicar of Orston), and Mr. Arthur Mackears, of Long Bennington. The Vicar of East Markham, where there is a handy and musical ring of six in good going order, had kindly placed the tower at the disposal of ringers, and five touches and a 720 of Kent Minor were brought round, the airman taking part in it. He also gave some valuable help to the juniors who took part in subsequent touches.

The business meeting which followed tea, was presided over by the Vicar of Tuxford, who gave the ringers a cordial welcome, and said how delighted he was to hear the bells so skilfully rung. Good ringing, especially on a Sunday morning, put life and vigour into the preacher for the day, but a few bells tinkled took the life out of him. He wished the association every success, and hoped it would not be five years before they came again, although, perhaps, the war had had something to do with the long interval since their last visit.

Mr. Arthur Mackears was elected a non-resident life member, and Mr. W. Atkins, of West Retford, and Mr. H. Kirk, of Barlboro', performing members. The next meeting was arranged to be held at Barlboro', at the end of October if possible, or early in the new year.

Mr. J. T. Wilson moved and Mr. H. Haigh (hon. secretary) seconded, a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Tuxford for the use of bells and presiding over the meeting. Mr. Wilson remarking that such meetings with members present from kindred associations to exchange views and discuss the pros and cons of ringing affairs, brought about a better feeling and a fuller bond of friendship towards one another.

Mr. Haigh gave the visitors of kindred associations a hearty welcome. Alluding to the recent marriage of the Rev. C. J. Sturton, he said he was perfectly sure the ringers would join with him in wishing the reverend gentleman and his bride long life, happiness and prosperity.—The Rev. C. J. Sturton thanked the ringers, on behalf of the visitors, and also the secretary for all the kind things he had said about him, and remarked that during his experience as a ringer he had derived the most pleasure when in the company of that fraternity.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held at Tong, near Bradford, on Saturday, Sept. 11th. The day was delightfully fine, and nearly two hundred ringers assembled to partake of the hospitality of the Tong ringers. The peal of six in the Parish Church and the fine peal of eight at St. Paul's, Drighlington, were available throughout the day, and were kept busily going in a large variety of methods.

A committee meeting was held in the church vestry during the afternoon, this being followed by a bountiful tea in the Schoolroom. During tea the visitors were entertained in a novel manner by the Bourneville Wizard, Mr. H. Withers who arrived unexpectedly on the scene, accompanied by his close friend, the famous dulcimer. Various musical selections entertained the uninitiated, while the ears of the more expert were regaled with methods ranging from Bob Major to London Surprise, some of the performer's efforts in methods astounding the company, who heartily appreciated the efforts of Mr. Withers.

The business meeting was held on the village green, the president (the Rev. C. C. Marshall) being in the chair, supported by the principal officers of the association, and a large gathering of ringers.

On the motion of Mr. T. B. Kendall, seconded by Mr. Elliott, it was decided to hold the annual meeting in January, at Earlshepton.

A vote of condolence to the relatives of the late Rev. C. Farrow, who passed away at the age of 85 years, and who had been Vicar of Tong for 54 years, was accorded by all standing with heads uncovered to the memory of a genial friend to all ringers.—A vote of thanks to the authorities of Tong and Drighlington for the use of their bells was moved by the Chairman, and seconded by Mr. G. Renard.—The Rev. C. G. Farrow responded, and said how it would have delighted his father to have once more welcomed the association to Tong, and expressed the hope that all the visitors had enjoyed their visit to that delightful old-world village.

Messrs. J. Broadley and J. Copterell respectively moved and seconded a vote of thanks to the local company and their ladies for the arrangements for tea, this being responded to by Mr. C. J. Salloway.—Messrs. John Austin, of Gloucester, and Mr. H. Withers, were elected life members of the association.

The president undertook to write to the two retiring trustees, Messrs. W. Whitaker and C. Jackson, of Hull, thanking them for their many strenuous years of service for the association, and wishing them many happy years in their retirement.

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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

Wednesday, October 6th, was the anniversary of the first peal of Stedman Cinques, which was rung at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields in 1788.

Mr. Tom Russam, one of Birmingham's worthies, took part last week in a peal of Grandsire Cinques, 'in hand.' He was the only one of the band who had previously rung a peal of this kind on hand-bells, and that was in the peal rung at Birmingham in 1886!

The peal of Grandsire Cinques at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, on Saturday week, was the first by the Salop Guild. The last peal of Grandsire Cinques on the bells was rung on May 15th, 1894, by the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford and was composed and conducted by Mr. John Carter.

A peal of eight bells, as a war memorial, is to be placed in the Church of St. Leodigarius, Old Basford, Nottingham, at an estimated cost of £1,500.

The friends of Mr. F. E. Dawe, will learn with regret, that as the result of the sting by an insect, he is now in a London Nursing Home suffering from blood poisoning.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank are engaged in overhauling and augmenting the peal at Kinver. The six old bells are being tuned and hung in new fittings and framework, and two trebles are being added to complete the octave.

A correspondent asks if 'news copy' can be sent to us at a cheaper rate than the present 2d. postage. If addressed to the Editor, enclosed in an unsealed envelope, without anything in the nature of a letter, and marked 'Press matter only,' news items may be sent under a halfpenny stamp.

The recent letter from Mr. A. C. Limpus, recording the doings of the band at Vancouver, B.C., since their return from the war, has been read with interest, particularly at Seaford, Sussex, and by ringers who, at other places, made the acquaintance of the men from the Far West, when they were here with the Canadian Army. The address of Mr. Limpus is: 1237, 8th Avenue, E. Vancouver.

The peal of eight at Hyde, Cheshire, recast by Messrs. Taylor and Co., were dedicated on Saturday. The ringers' 'opening' will take place on November 6th.

### OLD PEALS BY NEW COMPOSERS.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I have been waiting for an abler pen than mine to draw attention to the fact that in almost every issue of your paper one reads that certain peals are published as being composed by individuals who have just come into the limelight as composers. In fairness to those who produced peals many years ago, I think the Peals Committee of the Central Council should publish without undue delay the Collection of Treble Bob 5,000's (which method a long time back was said to have been 'worked out') so that anyone composing in this method would be able to see if his composition is a variation of one by an old Master, in the same way as one can at present consult Collection of Peals, sections 1, 2 and 3.

I have no axe to grind, neither do I depreciate the endeavours of persons to construct new peals, but before such peals can be claimed the figures should either be published in the 'Ringing World,' or submitted to the Peals Committee for their decision, whether original or otherwise.

On page 173 of Collection of Peals, section 2, is a peal of Bob Major by the late Mr. Annable, capable of 410 variations, with a note stating, 'a large number of these have been rung and published as original compositions.'—Yours truly, G. E. SYMONDS.

### CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

A very successful quarterly meeting of the Kettering District was held at Weldon on Saturday week. The Rector (the Rev. J. R. Yates) kindly placed the bells of the church at the disposal of the visitors, who came from Kettering, Barton, Isham, Geddington, Desborough, and Weekley. During the afternoon the Rector and the Weldon ringers gave the visitors a very hearty welcome, and several touches were rung on the bells. A short service was held in the church, and a collection was taken for the Belfry Repair Fund, which realised 7s. 9d.

Tea was served at the Woolpack Inn, and was followed by the business meeting the Rector being in the chair, supported by Mr. Walter T. Wilson, of Isham (treasurer of the association), and Mr. D. J. Nichols (general secretary).

The general secretary apologised for the absence of Mr. R. F. Turner (district secretary), of Kettering, who was unable to be present owing to the very serious illness of his wife.—The Rector of Weldon was elected an honorary member of the association.—The Rector thanked the members and promised to try and take an active part in the work of the belfry. The following were made ringing members of the association: 11. Spriggs, W. Burditt, G. Smith, R. Gilby, W. Frisby, G. Sharpe and W. Bull, all of Weldon; also Miss D. Lewis, of Isham; and Mr. Manning, of Desborough.

It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Broughton, and also a special meeting at Weekley in October. — Mr. Wilson moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, and for conducting the service.—The party then returned to the tower, and some further touches of Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob and Treble Bob Minor and Cambridge Surprise were rung.



**BURTON LATIMER BELLS.****NEW PEAL DEDICATED.**

Burton Latimer belfry has been completely reorganised. For many years it has had a tuneful peal of six bells, with the tenor just under 11 cwt. The old wooden frame which has done duty for centuries, was considered to be unsuitable, and the ringing was getting unsafe. A meeting of the parishioners was, therefore, called, when it was decided to rehang the six bells, and to add two new bells to complete the octave. This has now been done, the work having been most satisfactorily carried out by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. The eight bells are hung in new steel frames and swing on ball bearings, making quite an up-to-date belfry. The new treble bell was given by Mrs. Jacques, the patroness of the living, in memory of her late husband, the Rev. W. B. Jacques, and of her son Edward, who was killed in the war.

The second bell was added in commemoration of peace, and the peal of eight gives a fine musical octave, the tenor being 10½ cwt.

The bells were opened on Saturday, Sept. 25th, by the Very Rev. Archdeacon Whittingham, of Oakham, during a most impressive service. After the prayer of dedication, the local ringers rang a course of Bob Major in fine style the ringers being: George Lines 1, J. Pettit 2, M. Hobbs 3, H. Saddington 4, H. Meadows 5, J. Hendry 6, J. Saddington 7, B. Saddington 8.

Among those present were Mr. E. Denison Taylor and Mr. Pryce Taylor, representing the Loughborough foundry, Mr. E. P. Duffield (hon. secretary of the Beds. Association), Mr. D. J. Nichols (general secretary), and Messrs. R. F. Turner and W. Perkins (district secretaries), of the Central Northants Association, Mr. F. Willford (Northampton, late general secretary), and about a hundred ringers.

After the service, the bells were kept continually going till about 8.30, the methods rung including London, Bristol and Cambridge Surprise, Double Norwich, Stedman Triples, Grandsire Triples and Bob Major.

During the afternoon a tea was provided, and over 300 sat down.

Afterwards the company were delighted by a handbell course of Grandsire Caters by A. V. Inns, C. Chapman, D. J. Nichols, A. Tyler and F. W. Sawfoot.

The cost of the restoration was about £560, most of which was in hand before the opening ceremony.

The day's proceedings were very successful, over £25 being added to the fund, and all the ringers expressed great satisfaction with the manner in which the work had been carried out.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

Northaw was the venue of a meeting of the North and East district of the Middlesex Association on Saturday last, and although situated, as the President put it, 'at the back of beyond,' a company of 20 or so ringers gathered together to enjoy a few hours' ringing on a nice toned peal of six bells, and to give some encouragement to the local ringers, who seemed exceedingly anxious to take advantage of the opportunity of some good practice in Grandsire, Stedman and Plain. Bob. Besides those methods there were rung courses of Cambridge Surprise and Kent Minor; also a course of the latter in which the Vicar (the Rev. R. Bonsey) took part, it being his first in the method.

A short service was held, conducted by the Vicar, the lesson, taken from Romans xii., being read by the President. After tea, the usual business meeting was held in the Parish Room, the Vicar taking the chair. Seven new members were elected, and the place of the next meeting decided upon.—The President (Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O.) moved that a hearty vote of thanks be passed to the Rev. F. R. Bonsey for the welcome given to the society, and this was seconded by Mr. F. A. Milne, and carried unanimously.—The Vicar replied, thanking the members for their presence, and expressing the hope that they would soon visit Northaw again.

A touch of Stedman Triples on handbells by Miss E. K. Parker, C. W. Fletcher, J. Armstrong, and C. T. Coles, followed, and another visit to the tower brought the meeting to a close.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A very successful by-meeting of the Rochester District was held at Northfleet, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. The bells were raised at 3, and kept going until 9 p.m., with the exception of the tea interval, some very good ringing ranging from Grandsire Triples to Superlative Surprise taking place.

This peal of eight has recently been restored, the old peal of six having been rehung, and two new trebles added as a war memorial. The work certainly reflects great credit on the bell hanger, Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich, as all were pleased with the tone and 'go.'

Members attended from Rochester and Lewisham Districts, and Prittlewell, Essex, and nearly 40 took advantage of having a pull on this restored ring.

**GRAMOPHONE RECORDS OF BELLS.****To the Editor.**

Sir,—Can any of your readers kindly inform me if it is possible to obtain gramophone records of 'touches,' or tunes, rung on handbells?  
J. MANN, Central Power Station, Aldershot.

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****NORTHERN BRANCH SECRETARY RETIRES.**

The quarterly meeting in connection with the Northern Branch of the Worcestershire and Districts Association was held at the pretty village of Chaddesley Corbett, on Saturday, Sept. 25th. The weather could not have been more glorious, and the result was a large and representative meeting. Unfortunately the service which had been arranged was not held. Tea was served in fine style by Mr. and Mrs. Perrins on the lawn.

The Vicar, who arrived about 8 o'clock, apologised for his absence. A cricket match had been arranged between veterans of Chaddesley and Bellbroughton, and it was not over in time to hold the service at 5 p.m. The reverend gentleman offered to have the service, but owing to the lateness of the hour, the members thought it would be better to get on with the meeting.

On taking the chair, the Vicar gave a hearty welcome to the association, and said how pleased he was to hear the old bells ringing out. If at any time any of the ringers came that way he would be very pleased to meet them and conduct them round the church.

It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Dudley, in January, 1921.—Seven new performing members and one hon. member were elected.—Mr. W. H. Webb, of Halesowen, was re-elected branch Ringing Master, and Mr. S. Grove, Selly Oak, was elected in the place of Mr. J. Pigott (resigned) on the Central Committee.

At the previous quarterly meeting the secretary had given notice that he would have to ask the association to fill his place, and in accepting the resignation of Mr. E. J. Dowler, Mr. A. E. Parsons (Master of the Association) said how deeply they regretted his giving up the position, for upon the shoulders of the secretary mainly rested the making or marring of the association. In 1911, when the association was formed into branches it was predicted by many that the association was making a false move. In answer to that he would call their attention to the number of members on the annual report at that time and now. Continuing, Mr. Parsons said he was more than pleased with the work which had been done by the branches of their association, and he felt sure he was voicing the opinion of all present when he said how grateful they were to Mr. Dowler for the very efficient and able manner he had carried out his duties. He also stated that he had received a letter from Mr. J. H. Newman, the general secretary, saying how sorry he was to lose the services of Mr. Dowler, and he thanked him most heartily for the valuable help he had received from him in the past.

In reply the Secretary thanked the members for their expression of goodwill, and regretted having to take that step, but in giving up the secretaryship he was not giving up the association, and hoped to be with them for many years to come.—Mr. Alfred Davies, of 20, Hampton Street, Netherton, near Dudley, was unanimously elected branch secretary and treasurer.

A collection on behalf of the memorial window to be placed in the Cathedral at Worcester in memory of those members who made the supreme sacrifice in the war realised £1 13s. 6d.—A vote of thanks was given to the Vicar for presiding at the meeting.

Ring in the standard methods, Cambridge, Bristol and London Surprise Major brought to a close a most successful meeting.

**LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

A most successful quarterly meeting was held at Llangibby, Mon. on Saturday, Sept. 25th. The bells, a musical ring of eight, with a tenor about 14 cwt., were available the whole afternoon and evening, the four standard methods being rung. Service was splendidly attended in the Parish Church, and was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. Herbert Addams Williams), who gave a most helpful address. Following the service, the business meeting was held in the Schoolroom. Several new members were elected, and augmentations and restorations were reported on.

The annual meeting is fixed for Cardiff, on Bank Holiday, Dec. 27th.

The visitors included Mr. J. H. Shepherd, of Swindon, and Mr. Walter Farley, of Wells. Tea was taken in the White Hart Hotel, 40 sitting down.

At the conclusion, the Rector was thanked for his kindness in granting the use of the bells, conducting the service, and for his hospitality in inviting the members to tea.

A ring of six at Tredunnoch, about 1½ miles distant, were available during the evening, and advantage was taken of this by several who had never previously rung upon these bells.

**THE HEREFORDSHIRE TOUR.**

The anxiety, apparently, of our correspondent to let the world know of the failures of the ringing tour in Herefordshire and Shropshire before he announced the successes resulted in a misleading paragraph appearing in our last week's issue. After we had gone to press there came to hand the records of seven peals rung (which are given in this issue), and to which no reference was made in the summary of attempts sent to us by an earlier post. The commiseration expressed with the party was thus misplaced; instead they enjoyed quite a measure of success.

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**THE CROYDON  
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**RINGERS- WEDDED.****MARRIAGE OF MR. ARTHUR HAGUE AND MISS CROOKALL.**

The wedding took place at St. John's Church, Blackpool, on Monday week, of Mr. Arthur Hague, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hague, of Rotherham, and Miss Mary Crookall youngest daughter of Mr. M. and Mrs. Crookall, of 56, East Topping Street, Blackpool. Both bride and bridegroom are bell ringers, Mr. Hague having been prominently connected with the Yorkshire Association as hon. secretary of the Southern District, while Miss Crookall is a member of the St. John's band and of the Lancashire Association.

The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. T. D. Crookall, wore a cream serge costume, and a cream georgette hat with pretty chunille stitching. She carried a sheaf of arum lilies and white heather. Her bridesmaids were her nieces, Misses Ada and Margaret Crookall. Miss Ada Crookall wore a pretty gown of apricot duccen, with stylish relief of periwinkle blue and smart black tulle picture hat. She carried a sheaf of pink chrysanthemums. Miss Margaret Crookall was attired in turquoise blue crepe de chine, with hat en suite. She also carried a sheaf of pink carnations. The bridesmaids wore a pendant and brooch respectively, the gift of the bridegroom. His gift to Mr. Colin Ryder (Rotherham), the best man, was a gold scarf pin. The duties of groomsmen were ably discharged by Mr. W. Priest and Mr. L. Scott.

The ceremony was performed by the Vicar, the Rev. A. W. R. Little, M.A., and appropriate wedding music was rendered at the organ by Mr. A. Vivian Jackson, while as the bridal party left the church the bells rang out merrily.

A reception was held at the Masonic Hall, Adelaide Street, Blackpool. Later in the day the newly-married couple left for Southport, where the honeymoon is being spent. The bride travelled in a navy blue tailored costume, with navy silk hat.

There were many presents, including a silver-mounted salad bowl and servers, presented to Miss Crookall on Sunday night, the eve of the wedding, by Mr. Winter, on behalf of the local band.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.**

A meeting of the Western District was held at Bath on Saturday, Sept. 18th. There were a good number of ringers present from Bristol (St. Michael's, St. Phillip's and St. Thomas'), Portishead, Clapton-in-Gordano, Twerton-on-Avon, Bathleaston, Swainswick, High Littleton and the Abbey, St. Mark, St. Saviour's, St. Michael's and St. Andrew's, Bath. The bells of St. Mark's being unavailable, through illness, it was also decided to abandon the service there. A visit was first paid to St. Michael's, and the bells there were kept going until tea, to which about 25 sat down at the City Cafe, Stall Street.

A business meeting was afterwards held, with Miss Gillingham in the chair. The secretary, committee, and the district representatives on the general committee were re-appointed to hold office for another year, and it was decided that the next quarterly meeting should, if possible, be held at Clifton Parish Church on December 4th, and an intermediate meeting for practice at Portishead on the last Saturday in October.

A vote of thanks to three Tower Masters (Mr. Cole, of St. Mark's; Mr. Alford, of St. Michael's; and Mr. Hill, of St. Andrew's), for the trouble they had taken, concluded the meeting.

The ringers then visited St. Andrew's tower, and rang touches in various methods until about 7.30, when they returned to St. Michael's to finish the evening.

The members of the Ladies' Guild are much indebted to Bath ringers for their hospitality and help, and to the Vicar of St. Mark's for his willingness to arrange a service for them, and for his presence at tea, and they will look forward with pleasure to paying another visit to the city.

**STOW AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**

A quarterly meeting of this association was held at Gaywood on Saturday, Sept. 25th. During the afternoon and evening several touches in various methods were rung on the excellent peal at the church, including Hereford, Canterbury Pleasure, Cambridge Surprise, College Single, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. A company of 16 members including the Rev. Radcliffe, partook of an excellent tea provided at the Swan Hotel. The general business meeting followed, including the election of two members. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for the use of the bells, and for the honour accorded the members by his presence at the tea-table.

Interesting discussion took place respecting the duties of the incumbents and the interest shown by them in the art of campanology. It was also agreed that bell-ringing might well be considered an important part of the church service, and more interest might be taken by some of the clergy of various parishes in the condition of their bells and the interests of their ringers.

It was decided that the next meeting should be held at Watlington on Saturday, November 27th.

After the meeting the members returned to the tower, and ringing continued until 8.30 p.m.

**NOTICES.**

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading will in future be at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at All Saints', Stand, Whitefield, on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Meeting at 7 p.m.—W. W. Wolstenroft, Branch Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above Branch will be held at Abbots Leigh on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Northallerton on Saturday, Oct. 9th. The bells of the Parish Church will be available from 12 noon. Business meeting in the Church Room 3 p.m. Service in the Church 3.30, and tea in Parker's Refreshment Rooms at 4 p.m.—A. L. Henderson, Hon. District Sec., Pickering.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The annual party and meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 9th, at Todmorden Unitarian. Tickets, Gents 2/6, Ladies 2/3. Tickets may be had from Branch Secretary.—T. K. Driver, 99, Hunter Street, Middleton.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Leigh-on-Mendip on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business at 5 p.m.—I. B. Holmyard, Hon. Sec., School House, Midsomer Norton, Bath.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The quarterly meeting of the Eastern District will be held Goole, Oct. 9th. The bells will be available from 2 till 9 p.m. Service in Church at 4 with an address by the Vicar. Meat tea at 5 at 2/- per head in the Schoolroom, business meeting to follow.—W. Hinton, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—The autumn meeting will be held at Kidlington on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Service in the Parish Church at 3 p.m. Address given by the Rev. W. H. L. O'Rourke, Rector of Woodstock. Tea and business follows in the Schoolroom at 4 o'clock at 1s. each. All ringers welcome.—John Monk, Hon. Branch Sec., 17, Cape Terrace, Witney, Oxon.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-east Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Bampton on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells (6) available from 2.30. Service at 4.45. Tea at the Vicarage at 5.15, followed by general business meeting.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Berkeley on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The next meeting will be held at Godalming on



Saturday, Oct. 9th. The chair will be taken by his Worship the Mayor of Godalming. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 5.30. Tea at 4.30, 1/- to members, 1/6 to visitors. Please let me know how many will require tea.—John J. Jones, Hon. Sec., 3, Bridge Street, Guildford.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Newcastle-under-Lyme on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Those who intend to be present please notify me on or before Oct. 4th. Business: War Memorial.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—Combined practice will be held on Monday, Oct. 11th, at St. Mary's, Battersea, from 7 to 9 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on Oct. 12th, St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Oct. 14th and 28th, St. Mary-le-Bow,\* Cheapside, on Oct. 19th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Withyham on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Tower open 2.30 and onward. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, 1/- to members. Half-railway fare, maximum 2/-. Those who intend to be present to tea should notify the undersigned not later than Tuesday, Oct. 12th.—A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—A special general meeting will be held at Finedon on Saturday, Oct. 16th, to consider the alteration of Rule 3. Owing to the importance of the business a good attendance is requested. Bells ready at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. Those requiring tea should notify Mr. G. Basford, Rock Terrace, Orchid Road, Finedon, by the 12th.—David J. Nichols, General Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The annual general meeting, which was postponed in July, will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Clapham Park, on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Several important matters will be discussed at this meeting, and it is hoped that members will make a special effort to attend. Will all members and friends intending to be present kindly notify me by Wednesday, Oct. 12th?—Edith K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Creech (6) on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells from 3 to 8 p.m. Service 4.30, tea and meeting after. Visitors for tea kindly let me know by Tuesday, Oct. 12th.—P. Merson, Hon. Sec.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the above will be held at Crofton on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells available 4 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Huyton on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at St. Margaret's, Barking, E., on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells will be available from 4 till 8 p.m., business meeting afterwards. It is hoped

that tea can be arranged.—F. G. Symonds, 157, High Street, Camden Town, N.W.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Broughton, on Oct. 16th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. Buses from Preston run past the church every hour.—E. R. Martin, Hon. Sec.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at SS. Peter and Paul's, Mitcham, on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 p.m. Tea will be provided only for those who notify Mr. J. A. Lambert, 6, Pincott Road, Merton, S.W.17, by Wednesday, Oct. 13th.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. District Sec.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A Special General Meeting will be held at Stoke-in-Coventry, on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15 p.m. Meat Tea at 5 p.m., at 2/- per head, can be provided for those who notify Mr. A. Roberts, 30, Hamilton Road, Stoke-in-Coventry, not later than Wednesday, Oct. 13th. Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Alverstoke, Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells available 2.30 to 8.30. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea (1s. 3d.) at 5 p.m., for members who acquaint me by Tuesday, Oct. 12th.—E. J. Harding, 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A mid-week meeting will be held at St. Ann's, Stamford Hill, on Tuesday, Oct. 19th. Bells available from 7.15 to 9.30. Business meeting to follow.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Colne on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Tollesbury on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Tolleshunt D'Arcy bells also available. Service, followed by tea (provided for those who give notice by Tuesday, Oct. 19th). All ringers welcome.—H. T. Pye, Hon. District Sec., 49, Wickham Road, Colchester.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, Oct. 23rd, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. J. A. Babington). Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, provided by the Association, at 5.30, followed by a general business meeting for the election of officers, etc. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, 19th?—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Walkden on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Bells available 4 p.m. (not 3 p.m. as per circular). Meeting at 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec.

**HYDE, CHESHIRE.**—Preliminary notice.—The ringers' opening of the recast peal of eight bells at St. George's Church will take place on Saturday, Nov. 6th. All ringers welcome. Particulars later.—T. Wilde, 3, Gower Road, Hyde.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (established 1637).—The 283rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Further particulars later.



**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**— Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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#### LATE NOTICES.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Bicester Branch. — The Half-yearly Meeting of the above Branch will be held at Lamton on Oct. 16th. Bells: Lamton (6), Bicester (8). Open 2 o'clock, Service 3, Tea 4. Business meeting after. Anyone desiring tea write Clifton, 79 Sheep Street, Bicester.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.** — Archdeaconry of Huntingdon. — A District meeting will be held (p.v.) at Huntingdon on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Service 4.15, Tea 5, Meeting 5.30. Bells of St. Mary's (8), All Saints' (6), and Godmanchester (8), will be available afternoon and evening. All requiring tea please notify the Secretary not later than Oct. 12th. — Rev. H. B. Woolley, Long Stanton Vicarage, Cambridge.

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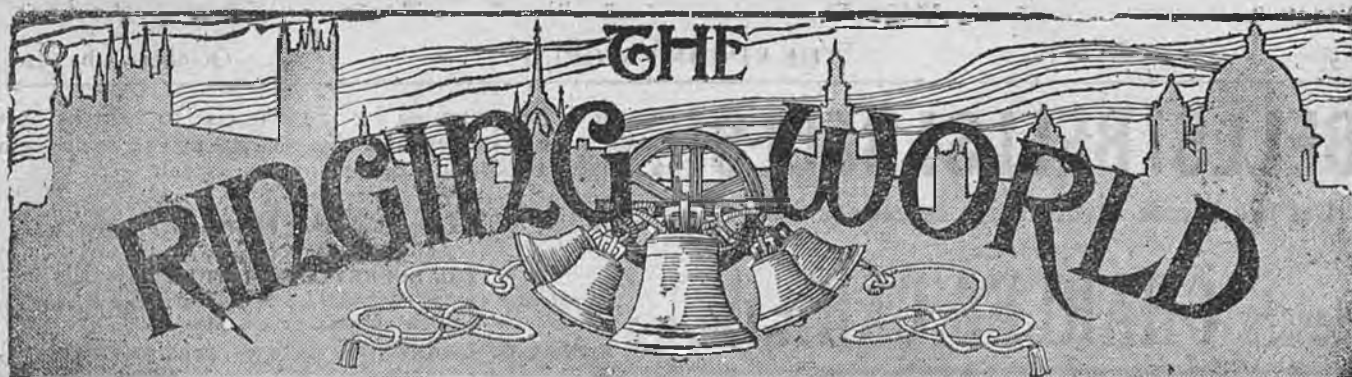
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This issue of the 'Ringing World,' as our readers may have observed, is our five hundredth number. It is a milestone on the road that merits passing attention, for it marks an interesting stage in the lifetime of the paper. Many changes have been rung since first 'The Ringing World' was launched upon the Exercise, and changes, also, have been necessary in the production of the journal to meet the vicissitudes which came with the war and war's after-effects. The troubles of the last six years in regard to newspaper production have not spared us, and we have been compelled to bow to the force of circumstances. We think we may, however, without egotism, take this to our credit, that we are one of the very few survivors of the class of journal existing before the war that catered for special and limited interests. We say limited interests because, in comparison with some of the other occupations of life, bell ringing appeals only to a small circle. Throughout our five hundred weeks we have ever striven to promote the advancement of the art and to extend its interests, and our desire to serve the cause of change ringing grows with our years. But difficulties which the war created, and which we struggled steadily to overcome, have unfortunately remained during the period of 'reconstruction,' and have effectively prevented that expansion which we had set our minds to achieve 'after the war.' While recovery in regard to circulation has been steadily maintained, it has not kept pace with the growing costs of production, and no good purpose can be served in hiding the fact that if the Exercise desires to have a paper run in its interests, one of two things must happen—either a much larger number of ringers must become supporters of the paper, and not merely readers on the one copy per tower principle; or the price of the paper must be raised. We would rather see the former alternative.

That the position of the 'Ringing World' is not an isolated one may be judged from the fact that in this year alone over six hundred newspapers have had to raise their price. We have endeavoured to stave off this action as long as possible, but unless the wider support comes, and comes promptly, an increase is inevitable. May we, therefore, appeal to our friends, who already stand and have stood loyally by us, to use their best endeavours to win for us the support of their fellow-members of the belfry who do not at present subscribe individually to the 'Ringing World'? Schemes for the expansion of the paper and an extension of features of interest have been long matured, but are held up by the difficulties which continually face us. We have indicated one line, at any rate,

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Arranged specially for Mr. W. H. Fussell, who hails from Slough.

### SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE, SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Oct. 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. Treble	JOHN E. MILLER ... .. 6
*ALFRED R. GLASSCOCK ... .. 2	*NORMAN A. TOMLINSON ... .. 7
*GEORGE BESTER ... .. 3	*HARRY MILLER ... .. 8
SIDNEY WADE ... .. 4	†GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 9
†EDMUND G. TOMLINSON ... .. 5	*ALFRED G. CRANE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by J. ARMSTRONG.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal of Stedman Caters as conductor. This is the first peal on the bells since the two new trebles were added, the first peal on ten bells by the local society, and is believed to be the first peal of Stedman Caters in the County by an entirely local band, who are all regular Sunday ringers.

### DATE TOUCHES.

At Maldon, Essex, for harvest festival on Sept. 29th, a date touch (1,920 changes), comprising 240 each of Double Court and Plain Bob, and 360 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob: E. W. Finch 1, Miss A. E. Walcock 2, F. Chalk 3, J. H. Walcock 4, A. South (conductor) 5, H. J. Mansfield 6.

At Rammoor, Sheffield, on Sept. 30th, at St. John's Church, 1,920 changes Kent Treble Bob Major, in 1 hr. 11 mins., by: J. Thorpe 1, F. Ward 2, T. W. Chown 3, H. Thorpe 4, J. Evinson 5, A. P. Knights (longest length) 6, C. Haynes 7, L. Charlesworth 8. Composed by the late Mr. David Breatley. Conducted by John Thorpe.

BARNET.—Middlesex County Association.—At St. John's Church, on Sunday, August 8th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes), in 45 mins.: W. Soer 1, A. E. Glasscock 2, C. W. Dale 3, H. J. Ellrod 4, C. V. Ebberson 5, R. Sturgeon 6, R. Roffey 7, N. A. Tomlinson (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal of Bob Major by Messrs. Dale and Sturgeon.—On August 29th, a 504 of Grandsire Triples, after meeting short for a quarter-peal, conducted by C. V. Ebberson.

CONISBORO, YORKSHIRE.—On Monday, August 23rd, at St. Peter's Church, a date touch of 1920 Bob Minor, in 1 hour and 15 minutes: W. H. Metcalf 1, M. Fowler 2, S. Harrison 3, O. Greathead 4, F. G. Lewis 5, J. R. Breatley (conductor) 6. Longest length by ringers of 2, 4, 5, who are members of the local band.



**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

WESTERHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Sept. 29, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

ARTHUR G. MASON ... .. Treble	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 5
JOHN W. STEDDY ... .. 2	HENRY J. SELBY ... .. 6
GEORGE B. SELBY ... .. 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 7
PERCY J. SPICE ... .. 4	ARTHUR J. LEWIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

This peal was rung as a farewell to the Rev. Sydney Le Mesurier, who has been Vicar for 20 years, and is shortly leaving for Lamberhurst; also to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lewis, the band offering them hearty congratulations.

CRAYFORD, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Sept. 30, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

HERBERT AUDSLEY ... .. Treble	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 5
† WILLIAM WHEADON ... .. 2	SPENCER MARSHALL ... .. 6
JOHN BURLS ... .. 3	HENRY GIBBS ... .. 7
FRANK ELLIS ... .. 4	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON. Conducted by HERBERT AUDSLEY.

\* First peal in the method, † First peal in the method with a bob bell. H. Audsley's first peal as conductor and H. Gibbs' first peal for 19 years, the band being delighted to welcome him again.

PENKRIDGE, STAFFS.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thursday, Sept. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

* GEORGE WARNER ... .. Treble	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 5
FRED BIRKS ... .. 2	JOHN PERRY ... .. 6
JOHN WARRILOW ... .. 3	JOHN J. TAYLOR ... .. 7
* SHIRLEY BURTON ... .. 4	EDMUND WESTWOOD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Rung on the occasion of the dedication and harvest festivals; also as a wedding peal for Miss C. Dunkley (youngest daughter of the Rev. Prebendary Dunkley, Vicar of Brewood), who was married at Alexandria on September 25th. An attempt for the peal was made at Brewood on the previous Saturday, but failed through the breaking of a clapper after ringing for one hour and twenty-five minutes. \* First peal of Triples.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS, BLOOMSBURY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 3	HARRY KILBY ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O., President of the Association.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

MISS NORA E. SHORTER ... Treble	JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 5
JOHN HOYLE ... .. 2	ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 6
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JACOB,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. Treble	* EDWIN J. BROWN ... .. 5
* MISS ANNIE BROWN ... .. 2	* PERCY C. WILLIAMS ... .. 6
ALBERT STOWELL ... .. 3	HENRY T. HOWELL ... .. 7
FREDERICK W. WADE ... .. 4	ISAAC LONG ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by E. J. BROWN.

\* First peal in the method. This peal was rung as a compliment to Miss A. Brown for her 21st birthday, two previous attempts having failed.

WITTON, NORTHWICH, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

* JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. Treble	ALBERT BOOTH ... .. 5
HUGH YARWOOD ... .. 2	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 6
* ALFRED JOHNSON ... .. 3	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... .. 7
JOSEPH ASHMOLE ... .. 4	SAMUEL MOORE, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. CRAWLEY.

\* First peal of Triples. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. J. Saddington was elected a member before starting, and hails from Kettering. First peal of Triples on the bells.

GORSEINON, GLAM.

WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CATHERINE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

REV. D. A. JONES ... .. Treble	W. DOBBINS ... .. 5
H. WILLIS ... .. 2	A. J. PITMAN ... .. 6
A. SLUMAN ... .. 3	J. WILLIAMS ... .. 7
WAL. DOBBINS ... .. 4	W. WEBB ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. J. PITMAN.

First peal of Triples on the bells. First peal of Triples for all (who are local ringers) except the conductor. Rung as a farewell peal to the ringers of 2nd and 3rd, who are leaving for College.

LENTON, NOTTINGHAM.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 8½ cwt.

FRED S. PRICE ... .. Treble	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. 5
THOMAS F. KIRKBY ... .. 2	SAMUEL WESLEY ... .. 6
ALLAN R. HICKTON ... .. 3	JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 7
ALBERT COPPOCK ... .. 4	PERCIVAL PRICE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBEY,

Rung for the Harvest Festival.

OLNEY, BUCKS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

FRED WILFORD ... .. Treble	FRED HOPPER ... .. 5
WILLIAM R. PARKER ... .. 2	JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 6
WILLIAM FAREY ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 7
THOMAS LAW ... .. 4	ALFRED MONK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. ALLEN.

The thanks of the band are due to Mr. F. Bosworth for having everything ready, and also to Mr. A. Monk for providing tea after the peal.

YORKTOWN, SURREY.—On Wednesday, August 25th after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 47 mins., in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Poulter: A. Poulter 1, F. Marchant 2, W. H. Boyles 3, B. Hawkins 4, J. Smith 5, H. Chaffey 6, G. Miles (conductor) 7, H. Hunt 8.

AYLESFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

THOMAS MANNERING ... .. Treble	HENRY T. WILSON ... .. 5
CLR.-SGT. JAMES BENNETT ... 2	LEONARD MANNERING... .. 6
GEORGE E. WILSON ... .. 3	FREDERICK RICHARDSON ... 7
WILLIAM DOUBLY ... .. 4	FREDERICK MITCHELL... .. Tenor

Conducted by L. MANNERING.

First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. M. Mitchell. Ringers of 3rd, 4th and 5th hail from Prittlewell, Essex.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 3, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

**A PEAL OF WORCESTER TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*ALFRED J. BULL ... .. Treble	GEORGE ILLMAN ... .. 5
ALBERT ELLIS ... .. 2	AMOS W. CLARK ... .. 6
JOHN RICE ... .. 3	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 7
WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS... .. Tenor

Composed by the Rev. E. BANKES JAMES.

Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

\* First peal. First peal in the method by all the band.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Oct. 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. in E.

EDWARD A. ETHERIDGE ... Treble	GEORGE TOMSETT ... .. 5
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 2	EDWARD RADDON... .. 6
THOMAS W. RADFORD... .. 3	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 7
WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 4	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

This peal was arranged by her Guildford friends and rung as a compliment to Miss A. White, of Basingstoke, on the occasion of her wedding.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5440 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*WM. H. HUMBERSTONE ... Treble	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 5
GEORGE CLEAL ... .. 2	HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 6
LOUIS E. ALLEN ... .. 3	*HERBERT W. NEEDHAM ... 7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... .. 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRED H. DEXTER.

\* First Surprise peal. 50th peal by J. Oldham, of Loughborough. Rung to celebrate the arrival of a son and heir to the conductor.

BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 9 cwt.

HERBERT LODKIN ... .. Treble	*ARTHUR LINTOTT ... .. 5
THOMAS W. GILMOOR ... .. 2	GEORGE R. NEWTON... .. 6
†JOHN COOKE ... .. 3	EDWARD CAUCE ... .. 7
†CHARLES COLES... .. 4	*WILLIAM BETLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman. C. Coles (late of Oxford) was elected a life member prior to starting. First attempt for a peal of Stedman by ringers of 3rd and 4th.

UPTON-CUM-CHALVEY.—On Sunday, August 15th, at St. Mary's Church, 1280 Kent Treble Bob Major in three courses (composed by Aeland J. Perkins): W. Burden 1, Gladys E. Bateman 2, A. D. Barker (conductor) 3, P. E. Jones 4, W. Henley 5, E. T. Hoojer 6, C. C. Mayna 7, W. H. Russell 8. First quarter of Treble Bob by ringer of treble, and first in method on the bells.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

WALPOLE ST. ANDREW'S, NORFOLK.  
THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(MARSHLANDS BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Sept. 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's. Tenor 19 cwt.

TONEY PRICE ... .. Treble	CHARLES W. LARGE ... .. 4
ALFRED BACON ... .. 2	WALTER J. BARKER ... .. 5
HENRY HILL... .. 3	JOSEPH E. SYKES... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH E. SYKES.

This was the first attempt for a peal by the ringers of the 4th and 5th. Great credit is due to Mr. Hill, the Marshlands veteran, who now rings his second peal at the age of 74.

CALVERTON, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Durham, Newcastle, Canterbury, Beverley, York, London and Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt.

WALTER W. BONHAM... .. Treble	ERNEST C. LAMBERT ... .. 4
EDWIN YATES ... .. 2	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS... .. 5
HERBERT C. EDWARDS ... 3	CECIL A. VALENTINE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CECIL A. VALENTINE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. James Tompkins, foreman of the above tower. The ringers wish to thank the Rector, the Rev. E. J. Pritchard, for the use of the bells.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 16½ cwt.

*TRAYTON BOOTH ... .. Treble	CHARLES TRIBE ... .. 4
*WALTER FRANKS ... .. 2	GEORGE BILLENNESS ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... 3	HARRY PRICE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor on the bells. Rung on the back six after meeting two men short for Bob Major.

OTTISHALL, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven differently called 720's. Tenor 12 cwt.

MATTHEW TIMBERS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. WASEY ... .. 4
ALBERT E. NEALE ... .. 2	WALTER FORD ... .. 5
FRED J. BARBER ... .. 3	WALTER C. MEDLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 7, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 14 extents each of Stedman, Grandsire and Bob Doubles. Tenor 5 cwt. 2 qr.

CHARLES E. BORRETT... .. Treble	FREDERICK KNIGHTS ... .. 3
FREDERICK H. KNIGHTS ... 2	ALBERT ROUGHT... .. 4
GEORGE MAYERS ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by CHARLES E. BORRETT.

First peal on the bells. Rung to oblige the conductor, who has now called peals on all numbers of bells, from Doubles to Maximus inclusive.

EASTBOURNE.—Sussex County Association. — At St. Saviour's Church on Aug. 22nd, 504 Stedman Triples: W. D. Smith 1, A. Gower 2, A. D. Pankhurst 3, A. A. Hughes 4, W. H. J. Hooton 5, G. W. Stokes 6, E. Gower (cond.) 7, B. Holbs 8.—At All Saints', on Sept. 15, 504 Stedman Triples: W. D. Smith (conductor) 1, H. R. Newton 2, A. D. Pankhurst 3, A. Gower 4, E. Gower 5, G. W. Stokes 6, B. Hooton 7, G. H. Howse 8.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Sept. 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Two Minutes,  
At 90, BLACKMAN LANE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

JAMES R. KEMP ... .. 1—2	WILLIAM BARTON ... .. 5—6
PERCY J. JOHNSON ... .. 3—4	JOHN AMBLER ... .. 7—8

Composed by GEO. H. CROSS of Norwich.

Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

Attested by GEORGE A. JOWETT.

This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, Sept. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5037 CHANGES**

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... .. 1—2	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7—8
GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 3—4	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... .. 9—10
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 5—6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 11—12

Composed and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

Referee: ALBERT T. SCRIVENS.

First peal of Grandsire Cinques in hand by all except Mr. Russam,  
who took part in the one rung at Birmingham July 2nd, 1886.

CLAPHAM, S.W.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Oct. 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At 63A, OLD TOWN, CLAPHAM,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 1—2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 5—6
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 3—4	MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 7—8

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5220 CHANGES;**

MISS KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 1—2	*F/Sgt. F.A. HOLDEN, R.A.F. 5—6
ROBERT RICHARDSON ... .. 3—4	†FRED W. STOKES ... .. 7—8
†ARCHIE C. STOKES ... .. 9—10	

Composed and Conducted by FRED A. HOLDEN.

\* First Bob Royal 'in hand.' † First on ten bells 'in hand.'

† First peal 'in hand' and first attempt. Rung after meeting short  
for a tower peal. Great credit is due to the Brothers Stokes on their  
success, they hardly ever having had the opportunity for double-  
handed ringing.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Oct. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL COSLANY.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 1—2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 5—6
CHARLES E. BORRETT ... .. 3—4	MISS HILDA L. DURRANT ... .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

This is the first peal in hand by Miss H. L. Durrant and first attempt,  
great credit being due to her for the manner in which she rang through-  
out. It was the first peal on handbells by a lady ringer in Norfolk,  
and the first on eight handbells in which a lady has taken part for the  
Norwich and Ipswich Association.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor size 18 in G.

JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 1—2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5—6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 3—4	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 7—8

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal of Stedman 'in hand' by all, and first by the Association

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. John Carter has returned to Birmingham after his summer sojourn in the Isle of Man.

We are asked to state that the time of the peal of Cinques at Ipswich was 3 hours 44 minutes, not 3 hours 39 minutes as stated last week.

Another 'family' performance is now recorded, five members of the accomplished Gofton family of the Durham and Newcastle Association having rung a peal of Stedman Caters 'in hand.'

The peal of Bristol at Selly Oak, on Saturday, was rung for a variety of purposes. It marked the retirement of Mr. J. Dowler from the office of secretary and treasurer to the Northern Branch of the Worcestershire Association, after 9 years' good work, which is greatly appreciated. It acclaimed the appointment of Mr. A. Davies as his successor, and was a birthday compliment to Messrs. John Smith and Robert Matthews, the ringers respectively of the 5th and tenor; and Mr. A. E. Parsons, Master of the Worcester Association.

October 12th was the 166th anniversary of the first occasion on which Holt's ten-part was rung. This was at Shoreditch in 1754, and it was rung by the Cumberlands. This celebrated old composition has probably been rung more times than any other peal of Grandsire.

Owing to some amendment in Post Office regulations, 'The Ringing World,' while it remains at its present weight, may be sent through the post for a halfpenny. We shall be pleased, therefore, to again forward the paper to any reader for 2s. 6d. per quarter.

## HONOURS FOR MR. J. S. PRITCHETT.

### HIGHEST OFFICE IN FREEMASONRY.

Alderman J. S. Pritchett, of Birmingham, Presiding Ringing Master of St. Martin's Guild, and a member of the Central Council, has just received one of the highest honours which can be attained in Freemasonry. He has been offered by the Supreme Council 33rd degree and has accepted the office of Sovereign Grand Inspector-General of the West Central District, carrying with it the 33rd and highest degree in Masonry. As he is already a Grand Officer of the craft, Mark and Royal Arch degrees, and has recently been appointed Grand Standard Bearer (V.B.) in the Masonic Order of the Knights Templar, he has attained the highest position it is possible almost to reach. This is the reward of an assiduous devotion to masonry extending over more than 40 years.

His many ringing friends throughout the country, and particularly those who are Freemasons, will join in congratulating Mr. Pritchett upon the great distinction conferred upon him by the craft, and also upon the fact that he has been appointed Assistant Recorder for the City of Birmingham.

## IPSWICH RINGERS' EXCURSION.

The ringers of St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, paid a visit to Bury St Edmunds for their outing, the party numbering 17 making the journey by rail. On arriving at St. Mary's Church they were welcomed by Mr. Reeve, the vergier, who had kindly got permission for St. James' bells to be utilised. A nice touch of Stedman Caters was rung, in which Mr. Moore, one of the local men, took part, and conducted by C. J. Sedgley. Various other touches in different methods on eight and ten bells were enjoyed throughout the rest of the morning. After dinner, a brake was hired, and the party drove to Horringer, where various touches were rung on the church bells, two of the local men joining in. On looking round the churchyard the visitors came across the grave of their late friend, Mr. H. Turner, whose tombstone is decorated with some beautifully carved bells. The party returned to Bury to catch the 7.15 train for Ipswich after an enjoyable day.

## TENTERDEN BELLS RESTORED.

On Thursday evening, Sept. 23rd several members of the Kent County Association met at St. Mildred's Church, Tenterden, in answer to an invitation from Mr. A. Howell, of Ipswich, who has rehung the tenor of this famous peal in a new steel headstock and fittings, recast and rehung the fourth which was badly cracked, overhauled the remaining six, and strengthened the frame. Touches of Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung during the evening, and a unanimous verdict was summed up in the three words, 'An excellent job.' There are many noted ringers who have tested the 'go' of Tenterden tenor, and have gone away disappointed. There will now be a different result.

Mr. Churchwarden Meynell kindly provided refreshments after the ringing, and a vote of thanks was accorded to him. Alderman P. Edwards undertook the onerous duties of collecting the money to defray the cost of the restoration, and we are pleased to hear the results so far have proved very satisfactory.

## 'GOFER' RINGING.

On Oct. 3rd, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung by the Newark-on-Trent Parish Church band to celebrate the revival of 'Gofers' ringing (an old-time custom), and which is carried on for six Sundays by meeting earlier for evening service ringings: E. C. Thrall 1, C. H. Chapman 2, J. H. Jennison 3, F. W. Foster 4, N. Holyoak 5, V. Appleby 6, L. Bullock (conductor) 7, H. Thrall 8.



**PAINSWICK PERFORMANCES.****PEAL TABLET UNVEILED.**

A permanent record of two long peals rung at Painswick has just been unveiled. The memorial is of Painswick stone, and has been erected in the belfry. It records the 7,325 rung in 5 hours in 1913, and the 13,001 Grandsire Cinques rung this year in 8 hours 45 minutes by the Painswick Youths. The first portion of the service was in the church, after which the Vicar (the Rev. C. H. Verey), headed by the churchwardens and the ringers, proceeded to the belfry, and the Vicar unveiled and dedicated the tablet, and the twelve bells were rung, the congregation standing for a few minutes. Then all returned to the church, and the ringers' hymn, 'Hark, on high the joyful music,' was sung, and the Vicar gave the Benediction. Many of the congregation went up to the belfry to see the tablet, which was the admiration of all. It is surmounted by a scroll-work on which is inscribed 'The Ancient Society of Painswick Youths,' with a carved stone bell in the centre. On the large middle panel is the record of the two peals, the ringers' names, and those of the conductor and composer. Underneath is carved in bold relief the ancient regalia of the Painswick Youths, ringer's hat, sword, and staves, which were used when any new ringers were sworn in.

The twelve bells were rung before and after the service to Grandsire Cinques, after which all adjourned to the Institute and partook of an excellent meat tea. The Vicar presided, and Miss Druet and Miss Williams assisted at the tables.

The Vicar said how glad he was to be present with the ringers on such a memorable occasion, and heartily congratulated them and the conductor in both peals, especially those that rang in the long peal of eight hours and 45 minutes. It was such a great test of skill, endurance, and concentration which was only realised by those who took part and brought such honour to the ringers, the famous bells, and the parish.—Mr. M. E. Ireland, who very kindly volunteered to collect subscriptions for the tablet, said that owing to the kindness and generosity of the subscribers and friends he had received enough to pay for the tablet, and he thanked all the kind friends heartily who had helped to bring it to such a success.—Mr. Ireland was himself heartily thanked by all present.

Mr. W. Hale (hon. secretary) testified to the excellent ringing in the peals, and reviewed the capital ringing talent that had existed in Painswick since 1731, which had made the Painswick ringers and bells so famous.

Mr. Albert Wright, the conductor of the peals, was received with acclamation, and said he had done his best. All the ringers co-operated heartily, and rang so well, that his task was made easier. His father's name was on the tablet recording the last long peal in 1858 and now his own was on in 1920, which was right, 'and let Wright remain.'

Mr. John Austin (Gloucester) also spoke of the great enterprise of the Youths. During the 20 years he had visited Painswick and taken part in peals, he had always been welcomed heartily.—Mr. E. Milard warmly thanked the Vicar for being present and unveiling the tablet, and for the great interest he took in the bells and ringers.—The bells were again rung to Stedman Triples, Bob Royal and Grandsire Cinques.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.****S. AND W. DISTRICT TO HOLD MONTHLY MEETINGS.**

A meeting of the South and West District was held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday afternoon, October 2nd. The Ringing Master (Mr. C. Bird), the past Master (Mr. Tom Beadle), and about 30 ringing members were present. After various touches had been rung, a ringers' service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. F. Marriot), who gave an address. Afterwards the ringers were entertained to tea in the Mission Hall by Sir Andrew and Lady Clarke, whose kind hospitality was much appreciated by all present. At the business meeting which followed, it was decided to hold monthly meetings, and the next is to take place at Norwood Green, due notice of which will appear later. The Vicar was elected an honorary member of the association, and several ringing members were also elected. Business over, ringing again took place at St. Peter's and St. Mary's Churches.

**LADIES ATTEMPT PEAL OF STEDMAN.**

A band of eight members of the Ladies' Guild attempted a peal of Stedman Triples at Clapton on Saturday, but much to their disappointment a trip brought it to an end after 1 hour 35 minutes' ringing. The band was Miss Upsher (Edmonton) 1, Mrs. F. I. Hairs (Clapham) 2, Mrs. John Thomas (Edmonton) 3, Miss Stella Davis (Maidenhead) 4, Miss Gladys Bateman (Stoke Poges) 5, Miss Evelyn Steel (Bedford) 6, Miss Edith K. Parker (conductor) 7, Mrs. W. J. Kemp (Clapton) 8. It is hoped to make another attempt in the near future.

After the ringing the party sat down to tea, and then returned to the tower for touches, in which Messrs. J. Armstrong (Southgate) and Gray (Clapton) also took part.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.****GOOD PROGRESS IN NORTH EAST BRANCH.**

The annual meeting of the North East Branch of the Devonshire Guild was held at Bampton last Saturday. There were 50 ringers present from Bampton, Bickleigh, Calverleigh, Chipstable, Clayhanger, Dulverton, Holcombe Rogus, Thorverton, Tiverton and Washfield. The ringing comprised Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, and a 360 Bob Minor.

A short service took place in the church, at which the address was given by the Rev. E. J. Barton, chairman of the branch. Tea was served at the Vicarage, and was succeeded by the general business meeting.

The Hon. Secretary and Treasurer (the Rev. E. V. Cox) reported that there were 57 members of the branch, and considered that as the branch had only been formed one year good progress had been made. The attendance at quarterly meetings, with one exception due to the weather, had been very good. The statement of accounts showed a balance in hand of 17s. 3d.

The chairman and honorary secretary and treasurer were re-elected and six life members were admitted from Dulverton and Chipstable hands.—It was agreed to hold the December meeting at Tiverton.

**AFTER SEVENTEEN YEARS' SILENCE.****GRUNDISBURGH BELLS RESTORED.**

After a silence of 17 years the bells of Grundisburgh Church are again in condition for ringing, having been restored, and the 5th bell recast, by Messrs. F. Day and Son, Epe.

A special service for the re-opening and the dedication of the new bell was held on Sunday afternoon last, and consisted of a shortened form of evensong, the sermon being preached by the Rev. Stifton Rector, from part of the 15th verse of 2 Tim. ii. Among the congregation were Messrs. H. Day (representing the bell hangers), E. Evans (branch secretary of the Norwich and Ipswich Association), W. G. Crickmer (Earl Soham), G. Pryke (Olley), W. Balls (Framdsen), G. Wightman (Creetingham). During the singing of the hymn, 'When morning gilds the skies,' the Rector proceeded to the ringing chamber and read the dedicatory prayers, and the bells were rung in rounds by the local ringers.

After the service, the bells were rung half-muffled in memory of parishioners who had fallen in the war. Later, touches were rung (without muffles) by ringers from Debenham, Framlingham, Hasketon, Ipswich, Ufford, Wingham, etc.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.****MIDLAND DISTRICT SECRETARY RETIRES.**

A quarterly meeting of the Midland District of the Ladies' Guild was held at Selly Oak on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, and despite a rather severe thunderstorm was fairly well attended, representatives being present from Solihull, Handsworth, Erdington, Stretley and Smethwick, in addition to the local company. The bells were made good use of during the afternoon, and a service, at which the Guild form was used, was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. — Branceer), who extended a hearty welcome to the members.

An excellent tea, provided by the local company, was served in the Schoolroom, upwards of 50 members and friends sitting down, presided over by the Rector.

Before proceeding with the meeting, Mrs. Groves proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for his services and his welcome to the Guild; to Mr. E. J. Dowler and the local company for having everything in readiness and entertaining the Guild to tea; to the organist, and the ladies who assisted at the tables.—This was seconded by Miss Warner, and carried.

The gentlemen then returned to the tower for further ringing whilst the business was transacted.—Three new members were elected, viz., two life members and one ringing member.—It was decided to hold the next meeting at Tipton in December, subject to the necessary permission being given.

The resignation of Miss S. Pigott as local secretary was received with much regret. Miss Salter, of Erdington, was elected to take her place, and the following committee were elected: Mrs. Groves, Miss S. Pigott, Miss A. E. Foster and Mrs. Holbrook, the two former to serve on the general committee.—Mrs. Walker proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Miss Pigott for the able manner in which she had carried out the duties of branch secretary since the formation of the Guild, and expressed the hope that she would soon be quite restored to normal health again.—This was seconded by Mrs. Groves, and carried unanimously.—Miss Pigott, in responding, expressed the pleasure she had always found in doing anything in connection with the Guild, and remarked, that although she was resigning as secretary, she still hoped to take an active part in the branch, and offered to render any help possible at any time.—This brought a very happy meeting to a close.

**PRESTON, LANCS.**—On Sunday August 29th, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Major for evening service: A. Martin 1 E. R. Martin (conductor) 2, R. F. Deal 3, B. A. Knights 4, P. Cave 5, F. Harwood 6, R. Sanderson 7, E. Armstrong 8. Longest length by 6 and 7.

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**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****NOVEL FEATURE FOR ANNUAL REPORT.**

A meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association was held at Weston-super-Mare on September 18th, when about 30 members were present, representing 12 towers. The bells (eight) were available during the afternoon, and touches in various methods were rung. Tea at Glass's Restaurant was followed by the business meeting, the Master (the Rev. C. C. Parker) presiding. Several new members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Bridgwater in December.

The Secretary reported that about £60 had been received towards the ringers' war memorial, the net cost of which would be £85. At a committee meeting, held some time ago, it was suggested that a map of the diocese put in the annual report would be very useful for reference, and Mr. Holmyard, of Midsomer Norton, one of the members of the committee, undertook to produce one. He now handed the Master the map on a photographic plate, which showed all the towers in the diocese, and gave the number of bells in each tower. It was handed round to the members present, and greatly appreciated. Mr. Holmyard stated that the map had been drawn by one of his scholars, Master Gunning, with the assistance of Mr. J. T. Dyke, the assistant master at the school, and that the expense so far incurred he should be very pleased to pay.

The Master voiced the feelings of the meeting, and moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Holmyard for his kindness, and also to Mr. Dyke and Master Gunning, and this was carried with acclamation.

Among the members present was Mr. T. G. Vincent who for 70 years has been a ringing member of Ditchat tower. The bells (six) are being recast and rehung in a new cage, and an effort is being made to add two trebles. As Ditchat is a country parish with very few wealthy people, Mr. Vincent made an earnest appeal to the members to help them accomplish the task they had in hand. It is hoped the appeal will bear good fruit.

This concluded the business, and a hearty vote of thanks to Presb. Norton Thompson for the use of the bells and to the Rev. W. Williams for arranging the service brought the meeting to a close.

A move was then made to the church for service, after which the bells were again made good use of.

**DEATH OF A CREWE RINGER.**

It is with regret that we have to record the death of Mr. Richard Langford, of 58, Rigg Street, Crewe, after a long illness. He passed away on Sept. 26th, and was buried at Crewe Cemetery on Sept. 29th. The first part of the service was held at Christ Church. The Vicar (the Rev. W. Bidlake) conducted the service, and also officiated at the graveside. Beside the family mourners, there were present as the ringers from Christ Church, and also ringers from Barthomley and Wrenbury, and members of the Pioneer Anglers' Club.

The bells of Christ Church were rung half-muffled before and after the funeral.

Deceased learned to ring at Whitechurch, Salop, and after going to Crewe, became a regular ringer at Christ Church up to the time of his illness. He had rung 47 peals for the Chester Guild, and also several for the Salop Guild. He was well liked, and his place will be hard to fill.

Last May the ringers of Christ Church appealed to the Chester Guild on behalf of their old comrade. The Master (Mr. C. J. Cooke) started the fund with a handsome donation, and the members responded generously, the total amount received being £30 8s., and the whole amount was handed to Mr. Langford at various times.

The family of deceased and his fellow ringers at Crewe desire to thank all those who subscribed to the fund, and so helped to make the deceased's last hours more free from worry than they would otherwise have been.

**'AMONG THE BELLS.'**

The intimation that the late Rev. F. E. Robinson's book, 'Among the Bells,' is still to be obtained should result in the early sale of all the copies that remain. As these are comparatively few in number, those who are not already in possession of the volume and desire to add this to their library of ringing literature should lose no time in securing the complete publication, while those who have some of the parts and desire to complete them should also do so at once.

As Canon Papillon recently pointed out, a most interesting feature of the book is the large number of illustrations of churches, with the details of the bells, but there is also another valuable side of the illustrations. While the churches will be always with us, the famous ringers with whom the late Master of the Oxford Guild rang peals will not. Many, indeed, have already gone hence, and the photographs of the celebrities of that day give a greatly added interest to the book.

Another point which makes it important that intending purchasers should secure their copy at once is that, the blocks from which the pictures were reproduced having been commandeered for the sake of the copper during the war, the reprinting of the volume is out of the question.

**NOTICES.**

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD WOKING.

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**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Withyham on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Tower open 2.30 and onward. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, 1/- to members. Half-railway fare, maximum 2/-.—A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—A special general meeting will be held at Finedon on Saturday, Oct. 16th, to consider the alteration of Rule 3. Owing to the importance of the business a good attendance is requested. Bells ready at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.—David J. Nichols, General Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The annual general meeting, which was postponed in July, will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Clapham Park, on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Several important matters will be discussed at this meeting, and it is hoped that members will make a special effort to attend.—Edith K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Creech (6) on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells from 3 to 8 p.m. Service 4.30, tea and meeting after.—P. Merson, Hon. Sec.

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the above will be held at Crofton on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells available 4 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Huyton on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Hon. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at St. Margaret's, Barking, E., on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells will be available from 4 till 8 p.m., business meeting afterwards. It is hoped that tea can be arranged.—F. G. Symonds, 157, High Street, Camden Town, N.W.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Huntingdon.—A District meeting will be held (p.v.) at Huntingdon on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Service 4.15, Tea 5. Meeting 5.30. Bells of St. Mary's (8), All Saints' (6), and Godmanchester (8), will be available afternoon and evening.—Rev. H. B. Woolley, Long Stanton Vicarage, Cambridge.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at SS. Peter and Paul's, Mitcham, on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Christ Church (6) bells will also be available. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 p.m. Tea will be provided only for those who notify Mr. J. A. Lambert, 6, Pincott Road, Merton, S.W.17, by Wednesday, Oct. 13th.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. District Sec.



**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Broughton, on Oct. 16th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30. Buses from Preston run past the church every hour.—E. R. Martin, Hon. Sec.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.** — A Special General Meeting will be held at Stoke-in-Coventry, on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15 p.m. Meat Tea at 5 p.m., at 2/- per head.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Elliot Road, Coventry.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Portsmouth District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Alverstoke, Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells available 2.30 to 8.30. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea (1s. 3d.) at 5 p.m.—E. J. Harding, 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Meetings for practice at 7.30 p.m. at St. Clement Danes on Monday, Oct. 18th, and fortnightly. St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, Monday, Oct. 25th, and every four weeks. Sundays at 10 a.m.: St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., 49, Noel Street, Islington, N.1.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Oct. 28th, St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on Oct. 19th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A mid-week meeting will be held at St. Ann's, Stamford Hill, on Tuesday, Oct. 19th. Bells available from 7.15 to 9.30. Business meeting to follow.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Colne on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Tollesbury on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Tolleshunt D'Arcy bells also available. Service, followed by tea (provided for those who give notice by Tuesday, Oct. 19th). All ringers welcome.—H. T. Pye, Hon. District Sec., 49, Wickham Road, Colchester.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, Oct. 23rd, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. J. A. Babington). Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, provided by the Association, at 5.30, followed by a general business meeting for the election of officers, etc. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, 19th?—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The 8-bell contest will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Draw to take place at 3 p.m. Business meeting will be held at the Schoolroom. Tea provided at 1/8 each, for those who notify Mr. Sam Hartley, 15, Errington Street, Todmorden, on or before Monday, Oct. 18th.—W. Frith, Sec.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Titchmarsh on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells (8) ready at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Business meeting afterwards.—J. Nickerson, District Sec., Halford Street, Thrapston.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next meeting of the above Branch will be held at Moulton on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Service at 3.30. Meat tea at 4.15, to be followed by business meeting.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, Oct. 23rd, in conjunction with the Kent Association. Bells available from 3 p.m.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Apple-dore, Kent.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Bury, on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Bells ready at 3. Tea at 5. Meeting at 7. Tea will be provided free for those sending in their names to W. R. Duckworth, 27, Palace Street, not later than Oct. 20.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Walkden on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Bells available 4 p.m. (not 3 p.m. as per circular). Meeting at 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Estab. 1755).—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Sutton Coldfield on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided for all those who advise me not later than the 26th inst. of their intention to be present.—A. Paddon Smit, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Nicholas, Deptford, on Saturday, Oct. 30th, by kind permission of the Rev. T. W. Pitman (vicar). Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., with address by the Vicar. Tea and meeting to follow. The Vicar is kindly providing the tea, and it is particularly requested that those intending to be present will notify me not later than first post, Tuesday, Oct. 25th. By kind permission of the Rev. F. J. Tackley, the bells of St. Alfege, Greenwich, will be available from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Cranleigh on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells at 2.45. Guild service at 4.30. A peal board will be unveiled at 4.15 by Lady Chadwyck Healy. Tea will be at the Rectory by the kind invitation of the Rev. and Mrs. Cunningham. Business meeting after, to elect Secretary and Committee. Please note: Tea can only be arranged for those who notify me by Oct. 26th. All ringers welcome.—Mrs. C. Hazelden, St. Michael's, Joseph's Road, Guildford.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (established 1637).—The 283rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Further particulars later.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

#### DEATH.

**TURNER.**—On Oct. 6th, at 160, St. Peter's Avenue, Kettering, Beatrice Mary, the beloved wife of Robert F. Turner, passed peacefully away after a long and painful illness, aged 37 years.



**PUBLICATION.**

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**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

A meeting of the Guildford District was held at Godalming on Saturday last and was well attended, over 50 being present. Ringers (ladies and gentlemen) were present from Guildford (two towers), Aldershot, Dorking, Worplesdon, Witley, Cranleigh, Farnham, Merrow, Clondon, Woking, and a strong contingent of local men. Tea took place in the Church Room, and was presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. G. C. Fanshawe), who was supported by the general secretary of the Guild (the Rev. Sir J. C. W. Herschel, Bt.), the Rev. Havard-Jones, and Mr. C. W. E. Leggatt—the two latter gentlemen being afterwards elected hon. members. Four ordinary members were also elected.—The Ringing Master's report was received and adopted.

Service was held in the Parish Church, the address being given by the Vicar.—The bells were kept going afternoon and evening, the Ringing Master seeing that short touches were rung, and that all had a turn at the ropes.

STONEY STANTON.—On Thursday, August 28th, in 45 mins. a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, with 4, 6, 8 covering: Miss S. Disney 1, T. Cooper 2, H. Briggs (conductor) 3, W. Briggs 4, C. Briggs 5, Miss D. Vernon 6, H. Webb 7, S. Brown 8. First quarter-peal for the ringers of treble, 6th and tenor.

SPRINGFIELD, ESSEX.—On Saturday August 28th, at All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 45 mins.: J. M. Myhill 1, W. E. Fraill 2, I. J. Poulton 3, A. E. Davis 4, E. P. Buckingham (conductor) 5, M. Brazier 6. First quarter-peal by the treble, 4 and 6, and first with a bob bell by 2, 3. It is hoped at some future date to have these bells overhauled and two trebles added.

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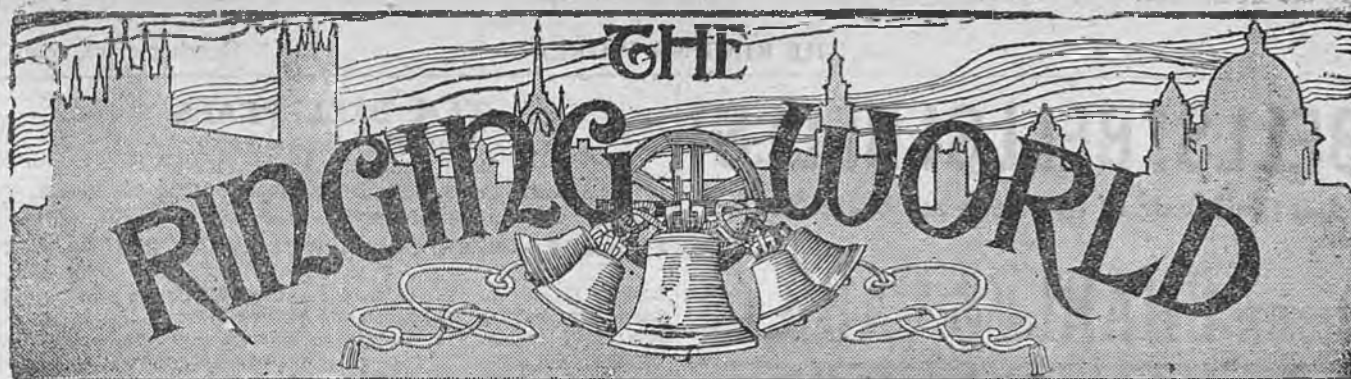
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## VARIETY IN RINGING.

In some reflections upon the recent successful tour in Essex, our correspondent, a well-known ringer, makes a suggestion which should not only commend itself to those who contemplate future peal ringing tours of this kind, but should add to the interests of their expedition. Briefly, it is that at least one attempt should be made for a new method. For the majority of the men who took part in the Essex trip, peals in any of the four Surprise methods, which were included in the programme, are, what one may almost term, everyday occurrences. They are unquestionably the most intricate of the eight-bell methods that are now practised, but long and continual exercise in them makes them more or less an easy task, and although there is a keen desire in tours of this kind to score as often as possible, it would undoubtedly add a further spice of interest if something little less difficult, but much less familiar, were attempted. Nothing on eight bells more complicated than London Surprise has been evolved; but it does not follow, because peals in this method can be rung almost at will, that there are no fresh worlds to conquer. Our correspondent is a ringer who speaks with a wide experience, for he has explored, as far as most people, the field of six-bell ringing, and the eight-bell methods available are certainly not fewer or less interesting than those of Minor.

There is, too, a wider application of the suggestion which may be made. Hitherto the majority of bands who have reached the Surprise stage have been content to stop when they have put the three or four popular methods to their credit—indeed, it has been noteworthy that several good companies seem to have broken up once they have reached what has been the height of their ambition. We do not suggest that this has been always through failing interest, but there can be no doubt that nothing inspires a band to stick together like a united ambition to achieve peals in new methods. Just at present, of course, bands have got all they can do to recover themselves after the depletion of the war, and no one looks for more at the moment than a determined effort to re-establish ringing in the position it held in 1914. When that has been done, we shall hope to see enterprise characterising the work of the belfry; enterprise among those who have still the ladder to climb, by aspiring to methods of higher quality; enterprise among those who may be said to have reached the top of the tree by adding more variety to their repertoire. There have been some splendid instances of progress within the last year, which are indications of the revival which ringing is making, and there is every reason to be satisfied with the rate of 'reconstruction.' It is not, however, out of place to remind ringers that there should never be an end to their ambition, for the art is unlimited.



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## TEN BELL PEALS.

LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.	
ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Treble	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 2	ARTHUR MASON ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. NODDS ... .. 3	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. 8
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 9
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to C. Charge.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25½ cwt.	
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. Treble	RICHARD STREDWICK ... .. 6
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ... .. 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
ARTHUR H. WHITE ... .. 3	WILLIAM C. HART ... .. 8
CHARLES PALMER ... .. 4	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 9
JOHN CAPP ... .. 5	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE. Conducted by KEITH HART.

TEWKESBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes.

AT THE ABBEY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22½ cwt.	
WILLIAM PAGE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 6
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 2	*ERNEST GIBBS ... .. 7
JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 3	JOHN J. JEFFRIES ... .. 8
SYDNEY M. FOXTON ... .. 4	CHARLES CAM ... .. 9
WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. JOHNSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN W. MOORHOUSE. Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

\* First peal of Caters.

WEST HAM, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTH WESTERN DIVISION.)

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5038 CHANGES;**

Tenor 28 cwt.	
EDGAR WIGHTMAN ... .. Treble	FRANK C. NEWMAN ... .. 6
ARTHUR J. NEALE ... .. 2	*GEORGE HADEN ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... .. 3	*GEORGE CARTER ... .. 8
WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 4	JOHN MOULE ... .. 9
JAMES SCHOLES ... .. 5	GEORGE POTTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late JOHN P. BRADLEY.

Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

This peal was rung after the dedication and unveiling of a memorial window and roll of honour in the above church by the Bishop of Chelmsford. \* First peal of Stedman Caters. This was the first time this composition had been rung.

REIGATE, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.	
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. Treble	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 6
WILLIAM J. NODDS ... .. 2	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIES ... .. 8
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 9
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.



**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

**SEELY OAK WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.

JOHN WITHERS ... .. Treble	JOHN SMITH ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 3	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 7
JOHN BASS ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

**HODDESDON, HERTS.**  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt.

MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... Treble	BARNARD PATMORE ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	GEORGE RADLEY ... .. 6
GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... .. 3	WILLIAM SABAN ... .. 7
GEORGE MAXIM ... .. 4	HENRY CARTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. THOMAS.

First peal in the method on the bells, and first of Oxford Treble Bob by all except ringers of treble and 5th.

**NORTHFLEET, KENT.**  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

JOHN AVIS ... .. Treble	RICHARD SMITH ... .. 5
GUY R. AMBROSE ... .. 2	GEORGE MORRAD ... .. 6
WILLIAM HARPER ... .. 3	*WILLIAM WARE ... .. 7
FREDERICK HAYES ... .. 4	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON. Conducted by F. M. MITCHELL.

\* First peal. First peal on these bells, which have recently been restored and augmented to eight by A. Bowell, the 'go' being excellent. The ringers of 1, 2, 4, 5 and tenor, came from Milton-next-Gravesend, 3 from Swanscombe and 5 and 7 are members of the Northfleet band.

**CHURCH STRETTON, SHROPSHIRE.**  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSMPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F.

WALTER LAGO ... .. Treble	JOSEPH HANLEY ... .. 5
WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 2	DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 6
WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 3	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 7
*ALFRED S. BAYLEY ... .. 4	†JAMES HUGHES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

First peal of Stedman on the bells. \* First peal with an inside bell. † First peal on eight bells. Mr. Hughes very kindly made the band up and was proposed a member of the Salop Guild previous to starting the peal.

**WARNHAM, SUSSEX.**  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

*MISS FLORRIE WYMAN ... Treble	WILLIAM STANFORD ... .. 5
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 2	WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 6
JAMES BURFIELD ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
JOHN RICE ... .. 4	ALBERT ELLIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by O. SIPPETTS.

\* First peal.

**MANBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, Oct. 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

*SIDNEY HOLT ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 5
WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 2	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 6
SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 7
JOHN WITHERS ... .. 4	GEORGE PIGOTT ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PRITCHARD. Conducted by GEORGE PIGOTT.

Believed to be the first peal in the method on the bells. \* First peal.

**WOLVERHAMPTON.**  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Monday, Oct. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, BLAKENHALL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

BROOK'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

ALFRED FALLON ... .. Treble	ALFRED ROWLEY ... .. 5
CHARLES BEECH ... .. 2	SAMUEL BAKER ... .. 6
EDWARD REEVES ... .. 3	WILLIAM FISHER ... .. 7
BERT HORTON ... .. 4	ALBERT E. LAW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM FISHER.

**HILGAY, NORFOLK.**  
THE STOW AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Oct. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.

*TONY PRICE ... .. Treble	ALBERT DISERENS ... .. 5
ALFRED BACON ... .. 2	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 6
*TOM GREENACRE ... .. 3	JOE E. SYKES ... .. 7
OLIVER STAINES ... .. 4	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal of Major. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd. The composition is now rung for the first time, and has the 6th 18 times each W. and R., with all the 6-5's and 5-6's alternately.

**STAINES, MIDDLESEX.**  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Oct. 12, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 18 cwt.

HUBERT J. CHAFFEY ... Treble	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 5
WILLIAM BURDEN ... .. 2	JOHN H. PRESTON ... .. 6
WILLIAM E. BUTLER ... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. PARKER ... .. 4	SAMUEL W. GREENWOOD ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled, after a special service for the dedication and unveiling of a memorial tablet to the Staines men who gave their lives for their country in the war.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.**  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Oct. 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... .. 5
*REGINALD BROWN ... .. 2	CHARLES J. FRAY ... .. 6
*JOHN W. FAITHFUL ... .. 3	WILLIAM T. TOCKER ... .. 7
OWEN H. GILES ... .. 4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal. Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to the Rector (the Rev. T. and Mrs. Salmon). It was also the eve of the anniversary of the conductor's wedding day (Oct. 15th, 1881).

**BIDDENDEN.**—Kent County Association.—On August 28th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. C. Castle 1, C. W. Player 2, W. H. Lambert 3, P. Sage 4, L. Honess (first attempt for quarter ins-ee) 5, G. Billenness (conductor) 6, F. A. Fairbeard 7, E. Moore (first attempt for quarter) 8.

## NORTHAMPTON.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Edmund,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

JOHN T. HENSMAN ... ..	Treble	SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE ... ..	5
FRED HOPPER ... ..	2	WILLIAM FAHEY ... ..	6
WILLIAM ROGERS ... ..	3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... ..	7
*BERTIE O. SODEN ... ..	4	FRED WILFORD ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by F. WILFORD.

\* First peal in the method and rung at the first attempt.

## BOW, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Oct. 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary, Stratford at Bow,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5688 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

HAROLD W. CLARKE ... ..	Treble	ARTHUR MASON ... ..	5
GEORGE R. PYE ... ..	2	ALBERT W. COLES ... ..	6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	3	REUBEN SANDERS ... ..	7
CHARLES T. COLES ... ..	4	WILLIAM PYE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by N. J. PISTOW.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells. The above is the conductor's 100th peal in the method.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## LAMBERHURST, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of College Single and two 720's each of Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

HERBERT PADGHAM ... ..	Treble	ARTHUR H. SMITH ... ..	4
WALTER MARSHALL ... ..	2	HARRY PRICE ... ..	5
ANDREW MARSHALL ... ..	3	ALBERT RELFE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

Rung to welcome the new Vicar (Rev. S. Le Mesurier), who was instituted by the Bishop of Rochester earlier in the day.

## WILLINGTON, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*SIDNEY A. SMITH ... ..	Treble	EDWARD WHITE ... ..	4
HERBERT J. HARLOW ... ..	2	WILLIAM STAPLETON ... ..	5
HERBERT L. HARLOW ... ..	3	† RICHARD KENDALL ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by Wm. STAPLETON.

\* First peal in seven methods. † First peal inside.

## CLAYHIDON, DEVON.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

JOHN WYATT ... ..	Treble	FRED POLE ... ..	4
GILBERT JONES ... ..	2	ALBERT TOUT ... ..	5
WILLIAM CLAPP ... ..	3	GEORGE SMITH ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by A. TOUR.

First peal on the bells.

## TILNEY ALL SAINTS, NORFOLK.

## THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

*ARTHUR WICKS ... ..	Treble	ERNEST MORRIS ... ..	4
*ISAAC EMMERSON ... ..	2	*FREDERICK ROSE ... ..	5
WILLIAM J. ELDRIDGE ... ..	3	JOE E. SYKES ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal. First peal on these bells which were made six in 1745. The conductor hails from St. Margaret's, Leicester.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,

At 90, BLACKMAN LANE,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5083 CHANGES;

*JOHN AMBLER ... ..	1-2	JAMES L. KEMP ... ..	5-6
PERCY J. JOHNSON ... ..	3-4	WILLIAM BARTON ... ..	7-8

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by WILLIAM BARTON.

Contains the 4th, 5th, 6th, 15 courses each in 6th's, with 2nd or 3rd never above 5th's at a course end. \* First handbell peal away from the tenor. First handbell peal as conductor.

## MONKSEATON, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At the North Farm,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5029 CHANGES;

R. ALDER GOFTON ... ..	1-2	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... ..	5-6
JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... ..	3-4	JAMES E. GOFTON ... ..	7-8
RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 9-10			

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

Referee: MR. STEPHEN W. STRATFORD.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, Oct. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

At the Royal Grammar School,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.		Tenor size 18 in G.	
WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ...	1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ...	5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ...	3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ...	7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MRS. PULLING and JESSIE MELVILLE.

## BIRMINGHAM.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, Oct. 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

In the Cathedral Belfry,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5009 CHANGES

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM ... ..	1-2	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ... ..	7-8
GEORGE F. SWANN ... ..	3-4	JAMES E. GROVES ... ..	9-10
ALBERT WALKER ... ..	5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... ..	11-12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

Referee: ALBERT T. SCRIVENS.

This composition has no fixed bell in 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th's places at the course ends, and contains all the 5-6-7-8's and 6-5-7-8's in the tittums and 5-6-8-7's and 6-5-8-7's in the handstroke home position. Rung as a welcome home to John Carter.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Oct. 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,

In the Belfry of St. Margaret's Church,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 18 size in G.

JAMES M. BAILEY ... ..	1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... ..	5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... ..	3-4	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... ..	7-8

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Witness: A. F. BAILEY.

## HARWICH, ESSEX.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Friday, Oct. 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,

At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS

Umpires: GEORGE TAYLOR and GEORGE THOMPSON.

Witnesses: AINSLEY ALDERTON and WILLIAM PRATCHETT  
First performance of the kind for the Society.

**SALISBURY GUILD.****SPADE WORK IN ISOLATED TOWERS.**

In pursuance of the policy outlined by the Master at the annual meeting, members of the Salisbury Guild have visited a number of six-bell towers during the summer season. Besides branch meetings held at Bere Regis, Litchett Minster (the tower that had twenty men serving in the war) and elsewhere, special practices have been held at Sturminster Marshall, Bryanston (in Lord Portman's grounds on the bank of the Stour), Canford Magna (in Lord Wimborne's estate), and Wimborne St. Giles. St. Giles' church stands just outside the country residence of Lord Shaftesbury, the President of the Guild, the bells being a tuneful ring cast by Taylor to replace those destroyed by fire a few years ago. Among the touches rung here on Saturday, 11th September, was a well-struck 360 of Bob Minor by T. Bennett, Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, H. Burling, A. Flowers, A. F. Martin Stewart, C. Goodenough (conductor). Also 360 Kent Treble Bob by A. Flowers, Major C. C. Hughes D'Aeth, Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, C. Forfitt, C. Goodenough (conductor), F. W. Townsend. In each of the towers visited local ringers and others were put through their first plain course of Grandsire on the treble, and very good practice was obtained in the standard methods.

Difficulties of travelling constitute one of the greatest hindrances to the work of the Guild, especially in Dorset (Wimborne St. Giles is some seven miles from the nearest railway station), and the fact that members taking part in these gatherings came by road from places so far distant as Bournemouth, Bridgwater and Midsomer Norton, gives some idea of the enthusiasm shown in the cause of change ringing.

On the last Saturday in September some twenty ringers met at Mere, Wilts (4½ miles from a station), where the fine ring of eight was kept going, on the eve of the harvest thanksgiving, for three or four hours, some very musical touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major being successfully brought round, while beginners were again initiated and young hands obtained useful experience.

**A FIRST SUCCESS.**

The band at St. Catherine's Church, Gorseinon Glam., rang for harvest festival on September 26th, 504 Grandsire Triples: Rev. D. A. Jones 1, A. Sluman 2, H. Willis (conductor) 3, J. Williams 4, Wat. Dobbins 5, W. Dobbins 6, J. Coleman 7, W. Webb 8. This was the longest complete touch by all.

**DEVON'S NEW GREAT PEAL.****THE BELLS OF BUCKFAST ABBEY.**

The magnificent peal of 14 bells presented by Sir Robert Harvey in memory of his wife Alida, are now (says 'The Universe') being hung in the new tower of the church in the course of building at St. Mary's Abbey, Buckfast. This generous gift ran into four figures, and it is believed the peal is unequalled in the West Country. Exeter Cathedral has a peal of ten bells, and many peals of eight could be mentioned, but Buckfast, with its peal of 14, may be said to lead. The monks will be enabled to make the air melodious by ringing them in three peals of eight in different keys.

Each bell has a name, and carries an interesting inscription:—

1st.—Mary. Come, let us adore the King for whom all things live.

On the bell is also recorded the fact of Sir Robert Harvey's gift.

2nd.—Robert. The faithful man shall be much praised.

3rd.—Michael. Who is like unto God.

4th.—Gabriel. Hail Mary.

5th.—Raphael. Ye heavens, bless the Lord.

6th.—Benedict. Let nothing be preferred to the work of God.

7th.—Bernard. O, sweet Virgin Mary.

8th.—Boniface. Ye nations, bless the Lord.

9th.—Veronica. I will seek the face of the Lord.

10th.—Gregory. Ye angels, bless the Lord.

11th.—Peter. Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God.

12th.—Paul. You were bought with a great price.

13th.—George. The dragon is cast out.

14th.—Thomas. Vindicate our blood, O God.

The bells contain nearly 1,000 letters in the inscriptions. The tenor, when hung, will be two tons in weight, and the oak frame will weigh 40 tons. Messrs. Aggett and Sons, of Chagford, Devon, are carrying out the work on the most modern principles, and are using their patent adjustable bearings.

**A CLEVER PERFORMANCE.**

An extremely good performance, and one which demonstrates remarkable powers of mental concentration, is recorded elsewhere in the peal of Grandsire Triples tapped on handbells by Mr. Arthur T. Morris, at Harwich.

Mr. Morris asks if points are allowed for these peals. We believe that the Central Council's Committee have decided that points shall not be allocated to 'tapped' peals.

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## BELLS OF BELGIUM. PROPOSED ERECTION OF A BELFRY.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir, — May I call attention to the newly-formed 'Ypres League,' of which the King has become patron-in-chief? Among the several objects of the League, one aim is to secure the erection of a worthy memorial to the 'glorious dead of the Ypres salient,' and at a recent meeting, it is reported that Lord Rawlinson supported a plan for 'the erection of a belfry-tower on the battlefield with a peal of bells for special occasions.' It was suggested that a party of bell-ringers could go out from England on some special annual day and ring a peal in honour of the dead. If this proposal is carried out—and it looks as if the scheme has been definitely launched—a matter of considerable interest to ringers is involved.

There has been for some years a committee of the Central Council to deal with the bells of Belgium. The enthusiasm of the prime movers of this committee always seemed to me to exceed the practicability of their ideas as to affording assistance in the restoration of the ruined bells of Belgium. It has never been explained how this help could be given, nor where it could be applied; and, above all, how a sufficient sum of money would be collected for such a purpose.

If the committee could be content with something much less ambitious, and if the Central Council could arrange to participate officially in some way in this belfry scheme of the Ypres League, here would be at least a practical object ready to hand. It is reported in the Press that the Church Army, which has collected a considerable sum for a battlefield memorial, has already approached the League with a proposal to defray the cost of the bells, and in this connection a sum of several thousand pounds is mentioned.—Yours very truly,

Manor House, Bracondale, Norwich.

15th October, 1920.

G. P. BURTON.

## CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

### SPECIAL MEETING RAISES ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION.

A special general meeting of the Central Northants Association was held on Saturday last at Finedon. Service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. A. I. Greaves). Tea was served in the Schools, presided over by the Vicar, and about 50 members sat down.

The business meeting followed, the President of the Association (the Rev. E. J. Atkins, of Uham, being in the chair, supported by the Vicar of Finedon; Mr. G. Raudell (vice-president), Mr. W. Wilson (hon. treasurer), Mr. W. Perkins (district secretary), and the general secretary, Mr. D. J. Nichols. The business before the meeting was the advisability of the alteration of rule 3, fixing the amount of the annual subscriptions. After the matter had been fully discussed, it was finally moved by Mr. E. M. Atkins, and seconded by Mr. W. Rogers, that performing members shall contribute the sum of two shillings annually, and also pay an entrance fee of sixpence. This was carried by a large majority.

The President moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Finedon for the use of the bells and conducting the service; also to the ladies who catered for the very excellent tea.—During the afternoon and evening touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Double Norwich, Superlative and London Surprise Major were rung by members from the following bellries: Northampton, Kettering, Wellingborough, Bigham Ferrers, Irthlingborough, Burton Latimer, Isham, Weekley, Cranford, Geddington, Woolaston, Woldington, Woodford, Islip, Irchester, Earls Barton, and the local company.

## WEDGING OF WOODEN FRAMES.

Is it wise to have a wood bell frame wedged tight to the walls of a tower? This is the inquiry which is made by Mr. W. Bibby, of Frodsham, who would like to have an expert's view. We would refer him to the late Sir Arthur Heywood's 'Bell Towers and Bell Hanging,' in which it is stated: 'The driving of wedges between tower walls and frames is strictly forbidden, and properly so, by architects. . . . By far the most prolific cause of injury to towers is this wedging, which authorities cannot or at all events do not, stop.'

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Central District was held at Mitcham on Saturday last, when the bells of SS. Peter and Paul and Christ Church were placed at the disposal of the visitors. A short service was conducted by the Vicar at the Parish Church. At the tea and meeting, which was held at the Queen's Head, the Vicar (the Rev. C. Ambrey Finch) presided, supported by the Master (Mr. J. D. Drewett) and the Rev. — Miller.—Four new members were elected, and one election ratified.—It was resolved to hold the next district meeting at St. Giles', Camberwell, early in January.—A vote of thanks to the Vicars of both churches and to the respective steepplekeepers was responded to by the Vicar. Ringing was resumed at both churches after the meeting.



## NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Norwich and Ipswich Association was held in Ipswich, on Wednesday, October 6th, and was attended by 70 members from the Counties of Norfolk and Suffolk. A special service was held in the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower, conducted by the President (the Very Rev. the Dean of Norwich). The address was given by the Rev. Francis L'Estrange Fawcett (Vicar of Stowmarket), and the Lord Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich gave the Blessing at the conclusion of the service. Luncheon took place at the Ipswich Co-operative Society's Hall, the Dean of Norwich presiding. He was supported by the Rev. Canon Douglas-Hamilton, the Rev. Francis L'Estrange Fawcett, the Rev. W. C. Pearson, the Rev. H. Drake, the Rev. H. A. Fleetwood, Mr. C. E. Borrett (vice-president), Messrs. G. P. Burton, Edward Evans (branch secretary for Suffolk), Arthur L. Coleman (general secretary and treasurer), and R. J. Goate, F. E. Grimes, Fred Day, F. C. Lambert, G. H. Cross, F. R. Borrett, E. E. Diaper, T. FitzJohn and E. R. Copeman (district secretary), Mr. Frederick Knights, Capt. A. E. Reeves, and representatives from 18 districts, out of the 22 comprised in the association. The toast of 'The King and Royal Family' was proposed by the President in eloquent terms, and cordially honoured.

Mr. C. E. Borrett, proposing the toast of the Bishops and clergy paid tribute to the assistance such an association as that received from the church. He thought their special thanks should be expressed to the Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich for attending their annual service that morning. The speaker added that they had to be extremely grateful to the clergy, and he referred to the mutual association between them and ringers which could not be too fully recognised. He coupled with the toast the name of the eloquent preacher they had listened to earlier in the day (applause).—The Rev. Francis L'Estrange Fawcett, who replied, said the clergy and church were indebted to the ringers, with their fine arms and splendid shoulders. Such an association as theirs was accomplishing splendid work for the church. He hoped their association would go on for ever. He had very great pleasure in proposing the toast of 'Success to the Association,' with which he coupled the name of the President, the Dean of Norwich.

The President, in responding, said he was pleased to announce that the Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich had kindly accepted the position of joint patron with the Bishop of Norwich (applause). The speaker also made a sympathetic reference to the death of the late president, Mr. J. Sanicroft Holmes.

The business of the association was then transacted.

The Secretary (Mr. Arthur L. Coleman) read the annual report, which opened with an expression of deep regret at the loss of the late president. The progress made during the last 12 months under the reorganisation was of a very gratifying nature. Three general meetings and four district meetings had been held by the Norfolk branch, and three general meetings and five district meetings had also been held by the Suffolk branch, making a total of fifteen meetings which was a record in the annals of the association. Their thanks were due to Mr. Edward Evans, branch secretary for Suffolk, for the excellent work done in organising the Suffolk branch. The past performances were satisfactory, and the progress made was both interesting and encouraging both in the quality and quantity, the peals ranging from Doubles to Maximus. A total of 156 peals had been rung in 22 methods. Over 100 new members had been elected during the year, the total membership being 1,027. They had a small balance in hand of £8, this reduced balance being due to the heavy cost in printing the annual reports, and it was strongly recommended by the committee that an increase be made in the annual subscription. The thanks of the association were due to the president for the great interest he took in the welfare of the association, and for the valuable time so generously given in presiding at their general meetings, also to all the officers and committee.—Mr. A. J. Goate proposed, and Mr. H. J. Day seconded, the adoption of the report, with a vote of thanks to the secretary.

The Secretary moved, and Mr. C. E. Borrett seconded, that the Dean of Norwich be re-elected president, and the motion, on being put to the meeting, was passed with acclamation. — The Dean responded with many thanks for the honour again conferred upon him.

The vice-president, the secretary, hon. auditor and committee were re-elected en bloc, and the Rev. H. Drake, Messrs. Arthur L. Coleman, G. P. Burton and James Motts were re-elected representatives on the Central Council.

The following were elected hon. members of the association: The Rev. the Hon. A. R. Buckland, Archdeacon of Norfolk, the Rev. H. Aubrey Aitken, Vicar-designate of Great Yarmouth; Major R. Bagge, D.S.O., J.P., Miss Gladys M. A. George, and twenty performing members.

The secretary and treasurer reviewed the present financial condition of the association, and reported that the committee had that morning carefully considered the position. They strongly recommended that the annual subscription should be increased to 2s. 6d., with the annual report free.—The Chairman moved that the annual subscription should be 2s. 6d., as recommended, and the proposal was carried unanimously.

Mr. G. P. Burton reviewed the proceedings of the meeting of the Central Council held at Northampton on May 25th, specially bringing before the notice of the members the establishment of a central library, and the threatened destruction of some 19 churches in the City of London. He would like, he said, to move a resolution against such an act of gross vandalism of a heritage handed down to our posterity.—The Chairman deprecated any action by the association, and the matter dropped.

The Secretary, Mr. Arthur L. Coleman, reported the resignation of Mr. Thompson as district secretary for Saxmundham, and moved a vote of thanks to him for the services he had rendered for the past eighteen years.

The Rev. H. Drake, Messrs. C. E. Borrett, G. P. Burton and A. L. Coleman were appointed a sub-committee to revise the rules of the association, and to bring up the alterations at the next general meeting.

A vote of thanks was passed to the president for presiding, and thus concluded the business. The members were then soon at work again in the various towers of Ipswich.

The day being gloriously fine, added much to the enjoyment of all present, and the festival was an exceedingly successful one.

## TWO NEW TREBLES AT GOSFORTH.

### THE LATE LIEUT. FALCONER'S BEQUEST.

On Sunday, Oct. 3rd, the two new bells bequeathed to augment the old peal of eight at All Saints', Gosforth, to one of ten, by the late Lieut. R. W. Falconer, were dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Newcastle, and very impressive was the ceremony. Previous to this, his lordship unveiled a handsome marble tablet placed in the porch near the belfry door to the memory of the late donor, recording his gift to the belfry. This and the bells themselves will ever remind us of a modest, clean, vigorous life spent in the service of his God and of his fellow-men, reminding us, too, of how we ought to live and what we have lost.

At the conclusion of the dedicatory prayer, the two trebles were raised in peal by two of Lieut. Falconer's oldest ringing friends, and then the full peal of ten struck off to a course of Caters as the Bishop and clergy and wardens slowly returned to the chancel from the west end. This was rung in Lieut. Falconer's favourite method, Erin, and demonstrated the beauty of the two bells to perfection, everyone acknowledging that Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, had made an excellent 'splice.' The ringers were all old friends of the late donor, drawn from the Cathedral, St. Ignatius, Sunderland, Whitley Bay, and All Saints' bellries.

On the following Saturday the Vicar and wardens kindly threw the bells open to the Durham and Newcastle Association for a ringing day, and members turned up from Whitley Bay, North Shields, Newcastle, Gateshead, Chester-le-Street, Sunderland, Tanfield, Houghton-le-Spring, St. George's, Jesmond, etc. The ringing of Stedman, Grandire and Erin Caters, Forward and Treble Bob Royal was kept up from 2.30 till 9 p.m., with a break for tea. This latter was of the 'high' order, and was generously provided by Mr. J. W. Falconer, the father of the late donor, at the Masonic Hall, West Avenue, for all, and a goodly company of 50 to 60 sat down to a thoroughly enjoyable meal.

The chair was taken by the President, Mr. C. L. Routledge, who was supported by the Vicar, the Rev. W. A. S. Kennedy (the brother, by the way interesting to many old campaigners—of the famous padre 'Woodbine Willie'), Mr. J. W. Falconer, Messrs. Taylor and Larmer (churchwardens), the Rev. Professor Potter, of St. George's, the two curates of the parish, Messrs. John Bird, W. Story, A. Dias, E. Ferry, J. W. Parker, W. H. Barber, etc.

The Vicar said a short prayer, and asked those present to stand in silence as a tribute to the late donor of the bells.

After tea, several courses of Caters were rung on handbells by Whitley and Cathedral ringers, and votes of thanks heartily tendered to Mr. Falconer, the Vicar and wardens, and the ringers of All Saints'.—The Vicar, in replying, gave a message of thanks from Dr. Wilde, the Bishop, who had told him how deeply he appreciated the accurate and impressive way the ringing part of the ceremony was carried out on Sunday, the 3rd inst.

## BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

A meeting of the above was held at Crofton on Saturday last. The weather was fine, and consequently the attendance was very good, representatives being present from Sandal, Pontefract, Horbury, Roystone, Wragley, Barnsley, Darfield and Wath, with the local band. The bells were kept merrily going from about 4.30 throughout the evening. Owing to illness, the secretary (Mr. C. D. Potter) was unable to attend, Mr. J. W. Champion officiating for him at the meeting, with Mr. W. Jackson, of Wragley, as chairman.—A vote of sympathy was sent to Mr. C. D. Potter, with hopes for a speedy recovery. About a dozen new members were elected, and a vote of thanks to the Vicar (the Rev. H. Brownrigg) for the use of the bells, also to the local band for having everything in readiness, was unanimously accorded.—The next meeting will be held at Darfield. Particulars will appear later.

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## THE TOUR IN ESSEX.

## SOME REFLECTIONS ON A SUCCESSFUL WEEK.

'Train leaves Liverpool Street at 2.34.' Such was the first direction on the programme sent to each member of the party, and in response the majority gathered at the barrier and shared in the pleasure of an exchange of greetings. Braintree was to be the headquarters for the week. Here we were joined by the remainder of the band, and by Mr. Howard, the Master of the Essex Association. Under his guidance we were soon settled at our 'diggings' and ready to commence our efforts. The start was very encouraging, and, as it proved, gave the note to what was to follow, viz., a series of successes only sufficiently interrupted to revive wakefulness and determination to put the best into every attempt.

As the peals rung have been already published it will not be necessary to say more about them. But a few general remarks may be made. And first about our conductor, Mr. William Pye. He already has a great reputation, such, perhaps, as makes it very difficult to be enhanced. But that is not our aim. It was a very interesting sight repeatedly to notice in action all that has made his name so well known. Nothing was left undone to ensure success; bells, ropes, bearings, and everything which usually needs attention, received it and at his hands. His grasp of a peal at all its stages was always in evidence when trips or 'bends' happened. During all the peals he conducted he was only once at fault, as far as the writer is aware, and then, noticing it, he was able to save the situation. Forceful, inspiring and always in earnest, he is a great ringer.

Much of the pleasure of the tour was due to the excellent arrangements made by Mr. Howard, and to his attention to our wants at every opportunity. We were able to see and enjoy much of the results of his long and hearty efforts on behalf of his association. He has been actively interested in the augmentation to eight of many of the rings we were permitted to use; and it has long been his wish for a band to have a week's ringing within the sphere of his labours. So much we gathered from a short speech he made in reply to a vote of thanks for his generous hospitality in providing dinner for us after the peals on Monday.

Well is it for everyone when failure only acts as a stimulus. Our first failure was at Bocking on Sunday afternoon, where Superlative was attempted. Nine consecutive successes followed this, and then the needed stimulant was again administered at Great Bentley, much to the regret of all, and especially to our host whilst there, Mr. Nevard. He was keen to have 'Bristol' added to the list of methods on the bells of his Parish Church in which he has such practical interest. The last attempt also proved a failure, Stedman Cinques at Chelmsford. After two hours' first-class tapping, indisposition in one of the band reached a point at which he was compelled to surrender. It is interesting to note that at the places of the first two failures, hospitality had been kindly provided for us, by Mr. L. Crow at Bocking, and by Mr. Nevard at Great Bentley. This did not fail in either case.

In the list of peals it will be noticed that each of the well-known Surprise Methods received due attention. Wholly disclaiming any intention to be self-congratulatory it can be said that the results are great, imposing from some points of view, and indicate a recovery of skill somewhat lessened by compulsory inactivity through the war. All the same, if the writer may express with diffidence his private opinion, a repertoire of only four Surprise Methods where eight-bell towers alone are available, and for such a band, seems, under the conditions into which the Exercise is now coming, too small. Peals in any and all of the methods are now common events as compared with the number rung twenty years ago, and surely this frequency is a symptom of a demand, scarcely articulate as yet, for additional outlets for existing skill. Great as is the interest and pleasure of a week's fellowship with brother ringers in the successful pursuit of their common hobby, they would be considerably increased by the inclusion in the programme of even one attempt in a new method. It is not in the writer's mind that such an inclusion should have been made on the present occasion. It was enough to attempt to regain technique in the methods rung by a mixed band from different parts of the country. This was quite successful and invests the tour with real value.

Our personnel included several old friends; Mr. Shade as fresh and keen as ever, though occasionally showing signs of increasing years; Mr. James George, another evergreen, who joined us in mid-week, and was at once the centre of much interest; Mr. Nevard as enthusiastic as ever, and being an Essex man, entertaining in local matters of interest. Messrs. Coles, Fletcher, Lucas and Sanders, new in touring experience, yet proved themselves hardened practitioners. The youngest member was Richard Gofton, one of the family of that name in the North, well known for his proficiency in the art. Though only seventeen years of age he showed himself quite a master of method-ringing, and in every way brought credit to his training.

Our tour this year leaves many very pleasant recollections. Not the least, perhaps the most valuable, is that of the brotherly goodwill which prevailed throughout. The great fellowship of mankind is essentially of the same nature as the lesser fellowships found within itself. Does it need more than brotherly goodwill to make it pleasant and satisfying to every member? But every member must contribute.

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**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Meetings for practice at 7.30 p.m. at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, Monday, Oct. 25th, and every four weeks. Sundays at 10 a.m.: St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., 49, Noel Street, Islington, N.1.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Colne on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Tollesbury on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Tolleshunt D'Arcy bells also available. Service, followed by tea (provided for those who give notice by Tuesday, Oct. 19th). All ringers welcome.—H. T. Pye, Hon. District Sec., 49, Wickham Road, Colchester.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, Oct. 23rd, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. J. A. Babington). Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea, provided by the Association, at 5.30, followed by a general business meeting for the election of officers, etc.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The 3-bell contest will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Draw to take place at 3 p.m. Business meeting will be held at the Schoolroom.—W. Frith, Sec.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Titchmarsh on Saturday, October 23rd. Bells (8) ready at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Business meeting afterwards.—J. Nickerson, District Sec., Halford Street, Thrapston.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next meeting of the above Branch will be held at Moulton on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Service at 3.30. Meat tea at 4.15, to be followed by business meeting.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Bury, on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Bells ready at 3. Tea at 5. Meeting at 7.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Walkden on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. Bells available 4 p.m. (not 3 p.m. as per circular). Meeting at 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Nicholas, Deptford, on Saturday, Oct. 30th, by kind permission of the Rev. T. W. Pitman (vicar). Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., with address by the Vicar. Tea and meeting to follow. The Vicar is kindly providing the tea, and it is particularly requested that those intending to be present will notify me not later than first post, Tuesday, Oct. 25th. By kind permission of the Rev. F. J. Tackley, the bells of St. Alfege, Greenwich, will be



available from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Estab 1755).—The meeting at Sutton Coldfield is postponed owing to the coal strike and will be held at headquarters on November 2nd.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**LADIES' GUILD**.—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Cranleigh on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells at 2.45. Guild service at 4.30. A peal board will be unveiled at 4.15 by Lady Chadwyck Healy. Tea will be at the Rectory by the kind invitation of the Rev. and Mrs. Cunningham. Business meeting after, to elect Secretary and Committee. Please note: Tea can only be arranged for those who notify me by Oct. 26th. All ringers welcome.—Mrs. C. Hazelden, St. Michael's, Joseph's Road, Guildford.

**OPENING** of Sutton-in-Ashfield new bells (6). Special meeting Saturday, Oct. 30th. Tea provided at 4.15. Bells available from 2.30. Any ringer desirous of being present for tea please inform me not later than Monday, Oct. 25th.—W. Allin, 36, Church Street, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—The Annual meeting will be held at Newcastle-on-Tyne on Saturday, Oct. 30th, when most of the belfries will be open for ringing after 2 p.m. Particulars will be sent out by circular to the belfries and the members shortly.—G. T. Potter, Hon. Sec., 1, Sydenham Terrace, Whitley Bay, S.O.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD**.—Exeter District Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Exeter on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells available after 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30, 1/- each, at St. Sidwell's Institute, followed by general meeting. Those requiring tea should notify me before the 26th inst.—Frank Davey, Hon. Sec., 52, Queen Street, Exeter.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY** will hold their half-year's meeting on Saturday, Oct. 30th, at the Parish Church of St. Michael's, Ashton-under-Lyne. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Meeting at 7 o'clock.—Chas. Bower, Hon. Sec.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**.—Western Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Malvern Link on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Service at 4 prompt, business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea provided for those who notify me by the Wednesday previous.—R. G. Knowles, Madresfield, Malvern.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION**.—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Radcliff-on-Trent on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Ringing from 2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea Co-operative Stores, 5 p.m.—Thos. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Coaley on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, by kind invitation of the Vicar.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**.—A meeting will be held at Leeds Parish Church on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells available from 3 to 4.30 and 5.30 to 9 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m.—William Gage, Hon. Sec.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION**.—The next meeting will be held at Barlborough (6 bells) on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells available from 2.30 to 8.30 p.m. Tea will be provided, at 2/- per head, for all those who advise W. Kennan, Park Street, Barlborough, Chesterfield, not later than Oct. 25th. Visitors welcome.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD**.—Western District.—There will be a meeting for practice, by kind permission, at Portishead, on Saturday evening, Oct. 30th. Bells available from 5.30.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**.—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Hinton on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Service at 5 p.m. Names for tea to be sent me not later than Wednesday, Oct. 27th.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Elham on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, conducted by the Vicar. Tea at 5 o'clock, kindly provided by the local ringers, for all those who notify me by Wednesday, Oct. 27th.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Yorktown District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Oatlands Park on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards in the Working Men's Club. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, Nov. 2nd? All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley, Surrey.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Winchester District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Southampton on Saturday, Nov. 6th. St. Mary's bells (8) available from 2 to 9 p.m. Tea at the Deanery Class Room at 5.15, to be followed by the business meeting. All those who intend to be present at tea must advise me not later than Nov. 2nd.—W. H. George, District Sec., 1, Newtown Road, Eastleigh.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD**.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Heston (by kind permission of the Vicar) on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea will be served at the Church Room at a reasonable charge. Business meeting to follow.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**HYDE, CHESHIRE**.—The ringers' opening of the ring of eight bells at St. George's Church will take place on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Meat tea (2/6) for all who send in their names not later than Tuesday, Nov. 2nd. Bells available from 1 o'clock. Tea 4.30.—T. Wilde, 3, Gower Road, Hyde.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Nov. 6th at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY**.—The November meeting will be held at Sheffield Cathedral on Saturday 13th. Bells (12) open at 3 o'clock. Short service in the Cathedral at 5 o'clock, with an address by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield. Tea will be served in the Wostenholm Hall at 5.45, to those who notify me not later than the 10th, at a charge of 1/3 per head. As this meeting will give us an introduction to Archdeacon Lisle Carr and Bishop Hedley Burrows, a full attendance is very desirable.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.



**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (established 1637).—The 283rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Tickets, 8/6 each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, R. T. Hibbert, E. Horrex, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, W. J. Kemp, A. R. Macdonald, A. S. Miller, H. R. Newton, A. E. Noakes, W. H. Pasmore, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, R. Sanders, A. Walker, H. J. Walton, C. F. Winney, or W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4. Towers open for ringing will be St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 3 to 5.30 p.m.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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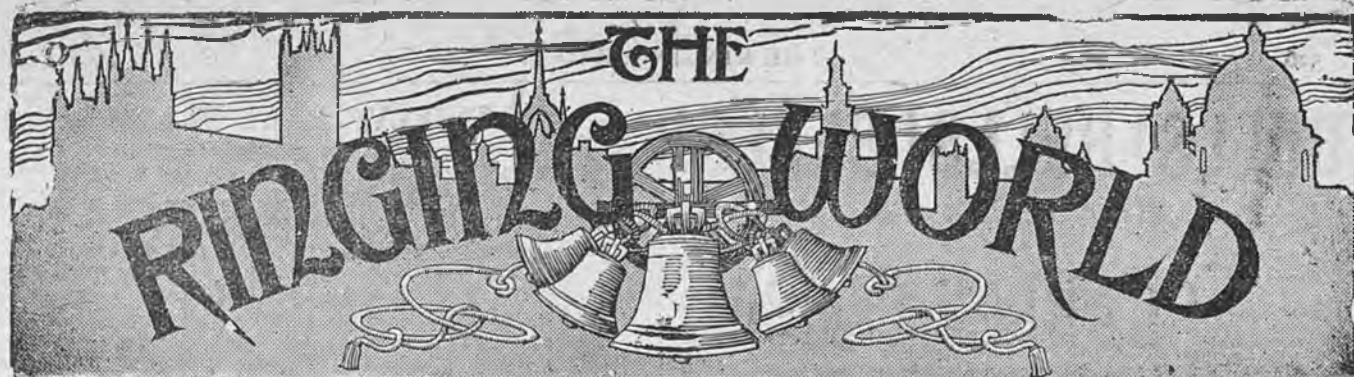
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### WINTER'S WORK.

Some of the most valuable work done in the interests of change ringing is the spade work in towers in the country districts, and the associations have a great deal of scope in this direction. Many of them realise the importance of this phase of activity, and through the summer the Salisbury Guild has carried out a systematic campaign. In such a scattered area, where communications are comparatively poor, the task is no light one, but the efforts which have been made promise to bear good fruit. The coming months will not be suitable, perhaps, for similarly organised undertakings, but the winter is a period which can certainly be utilised with great advantage. With the coming of the long evenings we have the season when combined practices among neighbouring towers can be instituted, if they have not previously been established. These practices have, in some directions, a real value over ordinary meetings. In many respects the ringing at district meetings is of an uncertain kind, touches being 'put on' in haphazard fashion, but at properly organised combined practices the ringing can be regulated upon a systematic basis, and not only can one method be adhered to until it is mastered, but the individual ringers get more consistent practice.

We have constantly urged this method of seeking to advance change ringing, and in those districts where the suggestion has been adopted, the results have always been of a most gratifying kind. It is not necessary that any considerable number of towers should group themselves for the purpose; indeed, the uniting of three or four bands is probably the most advantageous, for larger numbers tend to make the practice 'crowded.' Ringers who find they are able to get only one or two touches in an evening would not be encouraged to make a habit of attending; and it is only by regularity that a ringer can get the full benefit of these combined meetings. We should like to see these practices set up all over the country. At present they are to be found only here and there; what is needed is that the officials of the various associations should take the matter up. Once a scheme was set up the association secretaries need be but little further troubled; but it is the first move that is always the most difficult, and which local secretaries are often loath to take. If the officials were to make the first move to bring the towers together in small groups, we believe that a great step towards success would have been taken. We do not like to suggest putting more work on to secretaries—it is not always popular—but here is a direction in which there is really scope for useful service, which would soon show itself in the records of any association that takes the trouble to organise.



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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES;**

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CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. Treble	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
CHARLES H. HORTON ... .. 2	MAJOR JOHN H. B. HESSE ... 8
CHARLES S. BURDEN ... .. 3	ROBERT S. GRIMWOOD ... 9
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 4	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 10
RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. 5	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 11
HAROLD WALTON ... .. 6	ALBERT A. HUGHES ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

APPLETON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATER, 5076 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

ARTHUR H. WHITE ... .. Treble	ALBERT E. LOCK ... .. 6
EDMUND HOLIFIELD ... .. 2	FREDERICK STEDMAN WHITE 7
MRS. A. E. LOCKE ... .. 3	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN. ... 8
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN. ... 4	RICHARD WHITE ... .. 9
HARRY HOLIFIELD ... .. 5	FRED WHITE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD, SEN.

Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Catherine Holifield, only daughter of the conductor, to Cuthbert G. White, youngest son of the late Mr. F. White, bellhanger, of Appleton.

## CARDIFF.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATER, 5039 CHANGES;**

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

*FREDERICK J. BAILEY, JUN. Treble	SIDNEY DAWE ... .. 6
*RAYMOND C. SEAGER ... 2	FREDERICK VILES ... .. 7
*FREDERICK J. BAILEY, SEN. 3	FRED ATWELL ... .. 8
CLARENCE O. HOBBS ... 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 9
JOHN W. JONES ... .. 5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD. Conducted by F. CHAMBERLAIN.

\* First peal of Caters. The conductor's 50th peal. Arranged specially and rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6th, ex-Sergt.-Major Dawe.

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... Treble	FREDERICK C. MAYNARD ... 6
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 2	HAROLD W. CLARKE ... .. 7
HUGH T. SCARLETT ... .. 3	GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. ... 8
CHARLES W. BIRD ... .. 4	BARNARD PATMORE ... .. 9
JAMES C. ADAMS ... .. 5	JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by C. T. COLES.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. R. Maynard, Jun., F. C. Maynard and J. H. Wilkins, members of the local band. \* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Treble Bob Royal.

## DEFICIENT REPORTS.

Will the respective correspondents kindly supply the following information to complete the reports of peals sent in:—

Date of the peal at Churchill, Oxon.

Time of the peal at Llanbadach.

Date of the peal at Easton Maudit.

ILKESTON. — On Sunday, August 29th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins.: Miss Nora Cooper 1. H. Harrison 2, E. Fletcher 3, S. Burgoyne 4, J. F. George 5, C. J. Baker 6, E. C. Gobe 1, F. Tarlton 8. First quarter-peal of Triples by ... ringer of the treble who belongs to Elstow, Beds.



**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Evangelist,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

ALFRED J. TURNER ... .. Treble	OLIVER SIPPETTS... .. 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN... .. 2	ERNEST GOWER ... .. 6
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT... .. 3	WILLIAM C. HART ... .. 7
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 4	KEITH HART... .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by KEITH HART.

ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Oct. 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

ROBERT SPERRING ... .. Treble	JAMES MORGAN ... .. 5
*GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 2	ALBERT E. RICHARDS... .. 6
GEORGE JONES ... .. 3	WALTER THOMAS... .. 7
HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 4	ARTHUR E. PEGLER ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal in the method. Arranged for Arthur E. Pegler of Bangor, N. Wales.

ASHBOURNE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Oswald,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

*GEO. C. WALLACE ... .. Treble	WILFRED H. BURTON ... .. 5
WILLIAM POYSER ... .. 2	JOSEPH LORD ... .. 6
J. ARTHUR ORGILL ... .. 3	WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... .. 7
GEO. WM. BRAME ... .. 4	*CHARLES HAYCOCK ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. THURSTON. Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells since Wednesday, August 21st, 1889.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

(St. Margaret's Society.)

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

CHARLES SAMPSON ... .. Treble	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 5
*ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. 2	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... .. 6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 3	EDGAR S. BAILEY ... .. 7
CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 4	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by C. F. BAILEY.

First peal in the method and first attempt.

LOUTH, Lincs.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 31 cwt. 7 lb.

JOHN W. SEAMER ... .. Treble	RALPH S. LONG... .. 5
KATHLEEN A. JUTSON... .. 2	CHARLES KENNINGTON ... .. 6
CHARLES W. TAYLOR... .. 3	*WALTER AYRE ... .. 7
WILLIAM BOLTON ... .. 4	RUPERT RICHARDSON... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by R. RICHARDSON.

\* 50th peal. The conductor's 200th peal for the Lincoln Guild, and first peal of Major on the bells. The ringers wish to thank the Rector (Rev. Canon C. H. Leaton) for the use of the bells and Mr. Sampson for having everything in readiness.

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NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

KEITH SALTER ... .. Treble	JOHN WITHERS ... .. 5
ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. 2	WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 6
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 3	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 7
JOHN BASS ... .. 4	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALFRED DAVIES.

BRADFORD-ON-AVON, WILTS.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb.

RAYMOND J. WILKINS... .. Treble	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... .. 5
GEORGE TEMPLE ... .. 2	GEORGE CONDICK, JUN. ... .. 6
GILBERT H. HARDING... .. 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 7
THOMAS F. KING ... .. 4	THOMAS GRIFFIN ... .. Tenor
	*JOHN STAFFORD ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. B. LATES. Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

\* Elected a life member of the Association before starting.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of All Hallows, Barking, Tower Hill,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19 cwt.

THOMAS LANGDON ... .. Treble	HARRY R. PASMORE ... .. 5
HERBERT EDEN ... .. 2	HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 6
WILLIAM HODGETTS ... .. 3	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... .. 7
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... .. 4	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by H. R. PASMORE.

PRESTWICH, MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM E. CLARKE ... .. Treble	TITUS BARLOW ... .. 5
JOSEPH LOWE ... .. 2	WILFRED MOSS ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. SHUKER ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. COOPER ... .. 7
JOSEPH WINTERBOTTOM ... .. 4	RICHARD F. DEAL ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by R. F. DEAL.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. First peal of Major on the bells since the recasting of the back six.

WOOLWICH.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(Late the St. James' Society.)

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*ROBERT G. CHAPPELE ... .. Treble	ERNEST J. KING... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... .. 6
ALBERT C. V. GASSON ... .. 3	†ISAAC ATTWATER ... .. 7
GLADYS E. BAYEMAN ... .. 4	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON. Conducted by T. H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method with a bob bell.

PRESTEIGN, RADNORSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

*JABEZ PREECE ... .. Treble	JAMES P. HYETT ... .. 5
WALTER S. EVANS ... .. 2	†DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 6
HENRY S. COLLYER ... .. 3	CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 7
ALFRED TALBOT... .. 4	*FRANCIS H. LANE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. EDWARDS.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal of Grandsire Triples.

## MARSHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qt. 5 lb.

FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... Treble	CHARLES E. NEWLAND ... 5
JOHN A. GODFREY ... 2	JOHN MOY ... 6
GEORGE H. CROSS ... 3	GEORGE MAYERS ... 7
WILLIAM DUNCAN ... 4	WILLIAM E. BASON ... Tenor

Composed by FRED ROBINSON. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal of Oxford inside. This was the conductor's 100th tower bell peal.

## IPSWICH SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE FLEMING ... Treble	GEORGE W. ARLITT ... 5
ALBERT FLEMING ... 2	CHARLES W. PARKER ... 6
FRANK L. FISHER ... 3	CHARLES E. FISHER ... 7
GEORGE R. FINCH ... 4	WILLIAM BURGESS ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

\* First peal in the method with a bob bell.

## WALTHAMSTOW.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Oct. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. SAVIOUR,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

HUGH T. SCARLETT ... Treble	GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. ... 5
CHARLES T. COLES ... 2	FREDERICK C. MAYNARD ... 6
HAROLD A. EDWARDS ... 3	WALTER STEED ... 7
JAMES C. ADAMS ... 4	JOHN COLEMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER STEED.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in respect to the memory of Oliver Lennox Twist, late Hon. Sec. of St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, Society, who died on Oct. 10th, 1920; and of George T. Clayton, late of St. Mary's, Walthamstow, Society, who died on Oct. 8th, 1920, R.I.P. The band equally represents both societies. \* First peal. † First peal of Stedman Triples. ‡ First peal as conductor, also first peal in the method.

## WILLESDEN.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, Oct. 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MARY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... Treble	CECIL RADDON ... 5
THOMAS H. TAPPER ... 2	GEORGE M. KILBY ... 6
ARTHUR D. BARKER ... 3	THOMAS NEWMAN ... 7
WALTER G. MATTHEWS ... 4	HARRY KILBY ... Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.

## CHESTER, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Oct. 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MARY WITHOUT-THE-WALL,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING ... Treble	HENRY W. WILDE ... 5
GEORGE R. JONES ... 2	ARTHUR J. WATKIN ... 6
ARTHUR NEWELL ... 3	JAMES MORGAN ... 7
JAMES SWINDLEY ... 4	ARTHUR E. PEGLER ... Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

\* First peal in the method. Arranged for Mr. A. E. Pegler, of Bangor, N. Wales.

PORTISHEAD, SOMERSET.—On Sunday August 29th, for evening service at St. Peter's Church a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: Miss E. Fisher 1, E. Goldstone 2, Miss Adelaide Stokes 3, Miss H. P. Mills 4, Miss N. Gillingham (conductor) 5, J. Nisbet 6, W. Gillingham 7, A. L. Gale 8. The ringers of treble and 4th are from Dorking and Aldershot respectively, and were spending a holiday at Portishead. It was Miss Fisher's first quarter-peal.

## TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE TEMPLE ... Treble	HENRY W. BROWN ... 5
THOMAS HOGSFLESH ... 2	CHARLES W. BELL ... 6
STANLEY CARTER ... 3	THOMAS F. KING ... 7
RICHARD J. COUSINS ... 4	GILBERT H. HARDING ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by G. H. HARDING.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt. This peal was rung as a farewell to the Vicar, Rev. H. L. Maynard, who is President of the Bath Branch of the Association and is leaving the parish to take up new duties at Milverton.

## CHRISTLETON, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Oct. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

FRANK FOX ... Treble	JAMES V. WRIGHT ... 5
EDWARD HARRISON ... 2	ARTHUR NEWELL ... 6
ROBERT SPERRING ... 3	ARTHUR E. PEGLER ... 7
GEORGE R. JONES ... 4	WALTER THOMAS ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in deepest sympathy for the esteemed Master of the Guild, the late Mr. C. J. Bowen Cooke, C.B.E. \* 150th peal.

## BROXBOURNE, HERTS.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. AUGUSTINE,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM SABAN ... Treble	GEORGE RADLEY ... 5
ARTHUR MASON ... 2	ALBERT W. COLES ... 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... 4	WILLIAM PYE ... Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. HELEN,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

THOMAS WALTERS ... Treble	GEORGE HINTON, JUN. ... 5
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... 2	WILLIAM LEWIS ... 6
WILLIAM C. JONES ... 3	JOHN J. JEFFRIES ... 7
WILLIAM RANFORD ... 4	WILLIAM PAGE ... Tenor

Conducted by W. PAGE.

A variation of J. W. Washbrook's peal by the conductor. \* First peal, and the conductor's 150th peal. Rung on the occasion of the 37th anniversary of his wedding.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

Being seven 720's.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN SPENCER ... Treble	FREDERICK WADE ... 4
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 2	GEORGE LEE ... 5
EDGAR BAILEY ... 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

\* 50th peal on tower bells. † First peal of Minor, and rung at the second attempt, a rope breaking on the first occasion after 1 hr. 15 min. ringing. Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to the wife of the conductor.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

ARMLEY, LEEDS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT 10, MITFORD ROAD,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

MALCOLM MOORHOUSE ... 1—2 | GERALD MOORHOUSE... ... 5—6  
JOHN WM. MOORHOUSE ... 3—4 | \*GEORGE NAYLOR ... ... 7—8

Composed by J. Cox. Conducted by G. MOORHOUSE.

Umpire: MISS OLIVE L. LUMLEY.

\* First peal in the method on handbells. First peal as conductor.

ARMLEY, LEEDS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Oct. 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT 10, MITFORD ROAD,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

MALCOLM MOORHOUSE ... 1—2 | GERALD MOORHOUSE ... ... 5—6  
JOHN WM. MOORHOUSE ... 3—4 | MISS OLIVE L. LUMLEY ... 7—8

Composed by F. ROBINSON. Conducted by MISS O. L. LUMLEY.

Witness: MRS. MOORHOUSE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss O. L. Lumley, and was her first peal as conductress in the method.

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Oct. 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS

Witnesses: WILLIAM PRITCHETT, AINSLEY ALDERTON, WILLIAM BUDD, GEORGE JORDAN and JOSEPH BERNARD.

First peal in the method to be tapped on handbells. The composition was by G. Patrick and was conducted by the performer.

**DEATH OF MR. O. L. TWIST.**

It is with much regret that we have to record the death of Mr. Oliver L. Twist, who was a member of St. Saviour's Society, Walthamstow, for about 20 years, and for the latter part of the time honorary secretary. He was also a member of the Cumberland Youths, Essex Association, Middlesex Association, and the London County Association, and was well known in ringing circles, being always ready to stand in peals or touches whenever required. His last quarter-peal of Stedman Caters was at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on October 3rd, after evening song for harvest thanksgiving. He took to his bed the same night, and died the following Sunday (Oct. 10th), from septic pneumonia. He was interred at Queen's Road Cemetery on Thursday, October 14th, and ringers attended from St. Saviour's and St. Mary's towers. The handbells were rung over the grave after the service, at which the Rev. H. E. Tilston, of St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, officiated. Wreaths were sent by the local ringing societies.

In the evening the 'whole pull and stand' was rung at St. Saviour's, followed by 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, the bells being half-muffled: H. A. Edwards 1, E. F. Pike 2, G. W. Cooper 3, C. A. Hughes 4, W. Steed 5, G. B. Lucas, senr. (conductor) 6. It was the intention to ring a muffled peal, but owing to travelling difficulties two of the hand could not get to the tower in time.

**• LLANDAFF RINGERS' OUTING.**

The ringers of Llandaff Cathedral, accompanied by members from St. John's, Cardiff, Whitechurch, Penarth and Llanishan, with a sprinkling of the fair sex, had a trip into Somerset for their annual outing. Arriving by boat at Weston-super-Mare, a char-a-banc was in waiting, which conveyed the party to Wells, where permission to ring on the grand peal of ten at the Cathedral had been obtained. After dinner, at the Globe Hotel, the journey was continued to Glastonbury and Street, a few touches being rung at each tower. The party then returned to Weston, where tea had been arranged at Brown's Restaurant. The boat reached Cardiff again about 10 p.m., and everyone agreed that a most enjoyable day had been spent. In connection with the excursion, a pleasing incident occurred in the Cathedral belfry on Tuesday evening, Sept. 21st, when a small present was made to the organiser, Mr. S. Dawe. In a few well-chosen words Mr. J. W. Jones, hon. secretary, made the presentation, to which Mr. Dawe suitably replied.

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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

It says something for the 'go' of Southwark Cathedral's 50 cwt. tenor that a ringer of 9st. 6lbs. can ring it to a peal of Stedman Cinques.

The reference in our last issue to the tapping of a peal on handbells has raised the question: 'Of what use is tapping peals on handbells to the progress of change ringing?' Our readers' views may no doubt be diversified on this point, but no one will question the skill of the performer or the amount of concentration necessary for the task. The peal of Grandsire recorded last week is followed by a peal of Kent Treble Bob this.

The bells at Churchill, Oxon, have just been rehung, and the re-opening was performed by the Master of the Oxford Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn).

A meeting of the Oxford Guild at Cookham brought together a gathering of nearly 60 ringers from 18 towers. Cookham has a peal of six, with a frame for eight, and it is hoped ere long that the octave may be completed.

We wonder how many ringers can claim to have conducted peals on all numbers from five to twelve bells. Mr. C. E. Borrett, vice-president of the Norwich and Ipswich Association, has recently completed this performance by conducting a peal of Doubles.

### FINCHINGFIELD BELLS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—The ancient ring of eight bells in our Parish Church is in very bad ringing order, and we propose having them rehung.

The parishioners are doing their best to raise the necessary money, and £25 is already promised, but it is quite impossible to accomplish the task without help from outside the parish. I, therefore, venture to ask your assistance by allowing this appeal to appear in the columns of your valuable paper. The appeal has the support of Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the Essex Association, who has promised £10 to the fund. Any amount, however small, will be appreciated and acknowledged in 'The Ringing World.'—Yours faithfully,

Finchingfield Vicarage, Essex.

H. JORDAN.

### NORTH NOTTS NONAGENARIAN.

RINGER'S 90TH BIRTHDAY AT SHIREOAKS.

On Monday, October 11th, six members of the St. Luke's company, Shireoaks, and the hon. secretary of the North Notts Association assembled at the tower to pay a tribute of honour and veneration to the oldest ringer of the association, William Hargreaves, who was born on October 11th, 1830, and has been a ringer at Shireoaks since the opening of the church in 1863, when a ring of five bells was installed and afterwards augmented to six in 1865. He is still 'doing his little bit.'

Touches of Violet and Duke of York Minor were rung, and the bells fired in volleys at intervals to commemorate the event, the following taking part in the ringing: H. Mills, R. Knowles, H. Hall, J. Fitzjohn, B. Hall and F. Hargreaves (conductor), H. Haigh (Workshop). After the bells had been lowered in peal, Mr. Haigh conveyed to Mr. Hargreaves the sincere congratulations of the Shireoaks company and of the associations, and their good wishes that he might be spared to live to see his 100th birthday. Mr. Hargreaves is still hale and hearty, although rather deaf. He worked for the Shireoaks Colliery Company until he was 82 years of age, and he still cultivates his own garden; in fact, on his birthday he was to be seen wheeling home in his barrow a cwt. of newly-dug potatoes. His reminiscences of North Notts and old Derbyshire six-bell ringers in the early 70's are very interesting. He recalls a walk to Beighton and back on a Sunday, and meeting the Banks brothers, Jim Hayes, and Beighton's conductor, Jim Kitchen, who asked him if he could 'do aught,' and invited him to take his coat off and roll up his sleeves. He has rung about 40 six-bell methods, and conducted one 5,040 in seven Treble Bob Methods. In the prime of his career as a striker he was one of the best of ringers; 'a good one to follow, a bad one to beat.' He has always been keen and enthusiastic in teaching young ringers, and the writer's own record with him is one of unbroken satisfaction. Twenty-eight years ago they walked from Shireoaks to Risford and back 22 miles, and rang four 720's in Treble Bob Methods with the old gentleman as conductor.

H. H.

### KETTERING BAND'S RECOVERY.

No fewer than eleven members of the Kettering band served in the forces during the war, and three of them made the supreme sacrifice while one was permanently disabled. Despite these losses the band is again at full strength with 11 members who can ring all standard methods and Superlative, Cambridge and London Surprise Major as well. On October 16th, for morning service, 576 London Surprise was rung by E. Palmer 1, H. Peet 2, C. Chapman 3, J. E. Chapman 4, C. Bird 5, F. Sawfoot 6, D. J. Nichols (conductor) 7, A. V. Inns 8. For evening service, 448 Cambridge Surprise was rung by E. Palmer 1, H. Peet 2, C. Chapman 3, C. Bird 4, F. Sawfoot 5, R. Turrier 6, A. Payne 7, D. J. Nichols (conductor) 8; and 504 Stedman Triples, conducted by C. Chapman.



**CHESTER GUILD'S PRESIDENT DEAD.**

By the death of Mr. Charles John Bowen Cooke, C.B.E., the Chester Diocesan Guild has lost its president, and the band at Christ Church, Crews, an honoured and esteemed member.

Mr. Cooke, who was chief mechanical engineer of the London and North Western Railway, had a breakdown in health in July, and on the advice of his doctor went to Falmouth to recuperate. He was making good progress towards recovery, when he had an attack of influenza, and passed away from heart failure on Monday of last week.

Mr. Cooke, who was Mayor of Crews last year, took a keen and practical interest in ringing, being, despite his multifarious outside duties, very regular in his attendance at Sunday service ringing. He had rung five peals, viz., three of Grandsire Triples and two of Grandsire Caters, one of which was rung during his Mayoralty.

The funeral took place at Falmouth on Friday last.

**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL WAR MEMORIAL.****BELLS FOR BERKELEY ASSURED.**

At a meeting of the Wotton Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, held at Berkeley, most of the towers of the district were represented, and some splendid practice took place during the afternoon and evening. The Vicar (the Rev. H. C. Armour) conducted the ringers' service, and afterwards entertained the party to tea at the Vicarage.

At the business meeting, three new members were elected. It was decided to visit Conley on October 30th.

Several matters were discussed, including the proposal to place two memorial bells at Berkeley, which will make a fine peal of ten, with a tenor 24 cwt.—The Vicar reported that the parish was going to try its best to get the money to put the bells in the tower, as it was felt it would be a great honour to have the memorial of the Gloucester and Bristol Association of bell ringers at Berkeley.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for his kindness. Since the above meeting an important announcement has been made by the Vicar of Berkeley regarding the bells. At a meeting of the local band, held at the Vicarage, he caused quite a pleasant surprise by stating that two very kind people had come forward and promised the money required by the parish.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****ROSSENDALE BRANCH.**

The monthly branch meeting was held at St. Mary's, Bury, on Saturday last, when the members, after enjoying two hours' ringing in the afternoon, were invited to the Rectory, where they were entertained by the Rector and Mrs. Hill to a substantial tea. Later they returned to the belfry, where the business meeting was held, and Mr. Banks (of Helmschore) moved that the best thanks of the meeting be given to the Rector and Mrs. Hill for providing tea. After the meeting the bells were kept going till 9 p.m. in various methods. Members were present from Helmschore, Rawtenshall, Newchurch, Ramsbottom, and the local band, it being one of the best meetings held in the district for a considerable time.

**BOLTON BRANCH.**

There was a well-attended meeting of the Bolton Branch at Walkden on Saturday last. This tower seems to be a special favourite in the Branch, as the meetings held there always seem the best attended. The following towers were represented: Belton Parish, Deane, Hindley, Worsley, Pendlebury, and a number of visitors, with the local band.—Mr. Thomas Marsh, of Hindley, was elected a member of the association, and Deane, Bolton, was selected as the place of the next meeting.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES RINGERS' WEDDING.**

On Wednesday, October 20th, at St. Peter's Church, Higham-on-the-Hill, the wedding took place of Mr. C. R. Clifford, of St. Margaret's Society, Stoke Golding, and Miss Ida Rowley, of St. Peter's Society, Higham-on-the-Hill, the Rector (the Rev. K. M. Pitt) officiating. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. C. Rowley, and the bridesmaids were Miss Alice Rowley and Miss Hettie Jordan, sister and friend of the bride, while Mr. B. Oliford, brother of the bridegroom, officiated as best man. The Rector gave an appropriate address, in which he expressed the thanks of the parishioners to the bride who, along with her brother, took up change ringing during the war to fill up the place of those who had answered the call to arms, and great credit was due to them for the progress they have made.

The bridegroom commenced ringing with the St. Margaret's Society on its formation in 1909.

The happy couple left the church to the tune of Stedman Doubles by the combined societies, and several six scores of Grandsire, Plain Bob and Canterbury were also rung during the afternoon.

In the evening the ringers and friends were entertained at the residence of the bride, and a very enjoyable time was spent. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford have the best wishes of the combined societies for their success and happiness in the future.

**THE LADIES' GUILD.****A NEW PRESIDENT.**

The annual general meeting of the Ladies' Guild was held at Clapham Park, on Saturday, October 16th. The attendance was very poor owing probably to prohibitive railway fares. The members were welcomed at the tower by the Vicar (the Rev. G. H. Ensor), who took part in one of the touches rung during the day, the methods including Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major.

A service was held, at which the Vicar gave a very helpful address.—Tea was served at the Vicarage, when the members and their friends were the guests of the Rev. G. H. and Mrs. Ensor.—Before the business meeting, the Vicar welcomed the Guild, and also said he hoped that the ladies now being instructed at his tower would be able to join the Guild when the Guild next visited Clapham.

At the business meeting, the chair was taken by Mrs. F. I. Hairs, of Clapham. The statement of accounts showed a balance in hand of £13 18s. 6d.—The Secretary (Miss E. K. Parker) stated that she had been unable to issue reports, as the funds were rather low at the beginning of the year, but she hoped to publish a report in the near future.

Mrs. Hairs announced that the esteemed President of the Guild Miss Alice White, had tendered her resignation on account of her marriage.

—The resignation was received with much regret by the members, as Miss White had been president since the Guild's formation in 1912.

—The Secretary suggested that in future the President for the year should be chosen from the district in which the next annual meeting would be held, so that each district would in turn have one of its members as President.—The suggestion was unanimously agreed to, and as Birmingham or its vicinity had been selected as the place for the next annual meeting, it was proposed that Miss Sarah Pigott, who had recently resigned the secretarship of the Midland District, should be President for the ensuing year.—This was carried unanimously.

Miss Parker was re-elected hon. secretary and treasurer.

Various minor matters were discussed, and these will appear in full in the next Guild report.

After the meeting some of the members returned to the tower, whilst others took part in touches on handbells.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.****MEMORIAL TO THE LATE SECRETARY.**

On Saturday, October 2nd, the unveiling of a memorial peal tablet to the late hon. secretary of the Warwickshire Guild, Mr. G. H. Kettle, took place at the Parish Church, Allesley, ringers being present from many towers connected with the Guild. Various touches of Minor were rung with the bells half-muffled, before a short service which was held in the church, and conducted by the Rev. Canon Back (President of the Guild). Canon Back and the Rector of Allesley, the Rev. A. D. Perrott, and the members present, then adjourned to the belfry, and Canon Back unveiled and dedicated the tablet. The bells were then rung by six ex-Service men to a short touch of Bob Minor.

The tablet is of plate-glass mounted on oak, and records a peal of Bob Minor rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect and esteem to George H. Kettle, who died of wounds in France on Nov. 28th, 1917. The tablet has been erected by members of the Guild.

A special general meeting of the Guild was held at Stoke-in-Coventry on Saturday, October 16th, when there were about 30 members present from Allesley, Berkswell, Birmingham, Croft, Nuneaton, Stoke-in-Coventry and Warwick. The Guild form of service was held in the church, at which the Rector (the Rev. Potts) gave a short address. Tea was afterwards served in the Parish Rooms, and was succeeded by the business meeting, the Rev. Canon Back presiding. Six new ringing members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Bodworth.

The question of raising the annual subscription from 1s. to 1s. 6d. was discussed, and ultimately agreed to.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector for his address at the service, and also to the ladies for providing an excellent tea.—A further visit to the tower was made, and touches in various methods were rung.

**DEATH OF MR. G. T. CLAYTON.**

We regret to record the death of Mr. George T. Clayton, of Walthamstow, who passed away on October 8th, after an illness of several months. The deceased took up ringing late in life, and did not, therefore, advance very far in the practice of the art, but he was keenly interested in it, and spent a great deal of time in theoretical studies. He approached Stedman from a more or less unorthodox standpoint, and put forward some original ideas upon the method, upon which he constructed a number of variations. He contributed a number of articles to this journal. In practice, Mr. Clayton was more at home on six bells than on higher numbers, and at Letchworth rang the treble to more than one 720 of Bob Minor. He, however, was a member of the St. Mary's, Walthamstow, Society, and rang regularly at that tower. He belonged to the College Youths and the Middlesex and Essex County Associations.

The bells at St. Mary's Church were rung half-muffled, after evening, on October 17th, and a half-muffled peal was rung at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on October 19th.

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**HYDE'S NEW BELLS.**

The reopening of the bells at St. George's, Hyde, Cheshire, was marked by a very impressive service, at which the dedication was performed by the Bishop of Chester.

The new bells have been added by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, whose work was carried out with characteristic excellence. A number of visiting ringers were present, but the local band were responsible for the first touch. For several years before the restoration the bells had remained silent, but their mellowness delighted the parishioners when once more their voices were heard from the steeple.

Among those present were the Rev. A. T. Beaston (New Mills), non-secretary of the Church Diocesan Guild; Mr. H. Shaker (secretary, Lancashire Association), Mr. V. Heap, Mr. B. Thorpe, Mr. J. Mellor, and others from Ashton-under-Lyne; Mr. W. W. Walstencroft, St. Peter's, Ashton (secretary of the Manchester Branch of the Lancashire Association); Mr. A. Barnes, Reddish; Mr. H. Chapman (Manchester); Mr. R. Davies (Didsbury); Mr. J. Collier (Elxton); Mr. A. Marshall (Denton); Mr. H. Reynolds (Stockport); Mr. Denison Taylor, of the firm of Messrs. John Taylor and Co.

During the day, touches were rung of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and everyone was loud in their praise of the restoration carried out by the Loughborough Foundry.

**TABLET UNVEILED AT HORWICH.**

There was a quiet but impressive ceremony at Horwich Parish Church, Lancs, on Saturday, October 2nd, when the Rev. Canon Elsee, President of the Lancashire Association, unveiled a tablet placed in the ringing chamber of the above church to the memory of two members of the band. The tablet is of white marble, mounted on black, with the following inscription, viz.: 'To the glorious memory of Pte. Richard Fearuley, L.N.L., age 35 years, and Bombr. Fred Abbott, R.G.A., age 23 years, who were ringers in this tower, and were killed in the great war. They died that we might live.'

The proceedings was opened with an attempt for a peal of Grandsire Triples with the bells fully muffled, but this unfortunately came to grief in the last twelve changes through an accident with the rope of the second bell. The ringing had been timed to conclude with the commencement of the service at 7.30 p.m.

Canon Elsee unveiled the tablet in the presence of the ringers and relatives of the fallen men, to whom he addressed a few appropriate words. The service, which followed in the church, was well attended and conducted by the Vicar. Canon Elsee preached, and in his sermon alluded to the part played by the bells and bell ringers in the work of the church from days of long ago to the present time.

The following took part in the peal attempt: Herbert Alfred and Robert Alfred (Tyldesley), John Potter (Walkden), James Pouter (Eccles), Bertram F. Sheppard (Cambridge University), Peter Cronk (Deane), William Pennington (Bolton), John Stubbs, of the local band. It was a worthy performance, the striking being exceptionally good throughout.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the Central Division was held at Withyham on Saturday last, 24 members being present. After ringing during the afternoon, a short service was held in church, the address being given by the Rector (the Rev. H. W. Layng). Tea followed at the Dorset Arms, and at the subsequent business meeting, the election of eight new members was ratified.—A vote of thanks was passed to the Rector for his kindness in granting the use of the bells, his address, and for making the necessary local arrangements, the Rector suitably responding.

Ringings of Standard Methods then continued until about 8 o'clock. The following towers were represented: Brighton (St. Peter's), Crawley, Cuckfield, East Grinstead, Heathfield, Lindfield, the local branch and several independent members and friends from Tunbridge Wells.

A very successful quarterly meeting of the Eastern Division was held at Ringmer on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, when members representing the following towers were present: Brighton (St. Peter's), Chiddingfold, Eastbourne (All Saints'), St. Mary's and St. Saviour's, Heathfield, Pevensey and Shoreham. Mr. A. Hughes, of the Whitechapel Foundry, was also present, and the following unattached members: Messrs. G. H. Howse, W. D. Smith, E. Gower, A. Piper, of Eastbourne; and Mr. F. Bennett, of Brighton. A service was held in the church, at which the Vicar, the Rev. G. R. Leefe, officiated, and gave a very appropriate address. Following this, about 30 members sat down to tea in the Parish Room. The Vicar unfortunately was obliged to leave early, but before his departure he was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for the use of the bells, and for his address at the service.

At the brief business meeting which followed, Mr. J. T. Rickman, the Master of the Association, was voted to the chair, and Mr. T. Stroud, of Hellingly, was elected a member.

The bells were kept going during the evening to touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Major.

**NOTICES.**

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (established 1637).—The 283rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Tickets, 8/6 each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Gariard, R. T. Hibbert, E. Horrex, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, W. J. Kemp, A. R. Macdonald, A. S. Miller, H. R. Newton, A. E. Noakes, W. H. Pasmore, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, R. Sanders, A. Walker, H. J. Walton, C. F. Winney, or W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4. Towers open for ringing will be St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 3 to 5.30 p.m.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Nicholas, Deptford, on Saturday, Oct. 30th, by kind permission of the Rev. T. W. Pitman (vicar). Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., with address by the Vicar. Tea and meeting to follow. By kind permission of the Rev. F. J. Tackley, the bells of St. Alfage, Greenwich, will be available from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Estab 1755).—The meeting at Sutton Coldfield is postponed owing to the coal strike and will be held at headquarters on Nov. 2nd.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Cranleigh on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells at 2.45. Guild service at 4.30. A peal board will be unveiled at 4.15 by Lady Chadwyck Healy. Tea will be at the Rectory by the kind invitation of the Rev. and Mrs. Cunningham. Business meeting after, to elect Secretary and Committee. All ringers welcome.—Mrs. C. Hazelden, St. Michael's Joseph's Road, Guildford.

**OPENING** of Sutton-in-Ashfield new bells (6). Special meeting Saturday, Oct. 30th. Tea provided at 4.15. Bells available from 2.30. Any ringer desirous of being present for tea please inform me not later than Monday, Oct. 25th.—W. Allin, 36, Church Street, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting will be held at Newcastle-on-Tyne on Saturday, Oct. 30th, when most of the belfries will be open for ringing after 2 p.m.—G. T. Potter, Hon. Sec., 1, Sydenham Terrace, Whitley Bay, S.O.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—Exeter District Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Exeter on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells available after 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30, 1/- each, at St. Sidwell's Institute, followed by general meeting.—Frank Davey, Hon. Sec., 52, Queen Street, Exeter.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY** will hold their half-year's meeting on Saturday, Oct. 30th, at the Parish Church of St. Michael's, Ashton-under-Lyne. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Meeting at 7 o'clock.—Chas. Bower, Hon. Sec.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Malvern Link on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Service at 4 prompt, business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available.—R. G. Knowles, Madresfield, Malvern.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Radcliffe-on-Trent on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Ringing from



2.30 to 8 p.m. Tea Co-operative Stores, 5 p.m.—Thos. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Coaley on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, by kind invitation of the Vicar.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Barlborough (6 bells) on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells available from 2.30 to 8.30 p.m. Tea will be provided, at 2/- per head, for all those who advise W. Kennan, Park Street, Barlborough, Chesterfield, not later than Oct. 25th. Visitors welcome.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—There will be a meeting for practice, by kind permission, at Portishead, on Saturday evening, Oct. 30th. Bells available from 5.30.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Hinton on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Service at 5 p.m.—J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Elham on Saturday, Oct. 30th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, conducted by the Vicar. Tea at 5 o'clock, kindly provided by local ringers.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Nov. 2nd (nomination of officers) and 30th; Southwark Cathedral on the 9th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 11th and 25th; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 16th (election of officers). \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Lugwardine on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Bells (6) available 3.30. Service 5.30. Tea 6.15. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Nov. 2nd.—C. Edwards, Gt. Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

**ELY ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting for practice will be held at Soham (10 bells) on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Bells 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—R. Lathbury, Newmarket.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the above will be held at Darfield on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Bells available 4 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. Panther, Sec. (*pro tem.*), 25, Sandymount Road, Wath-on-Dearne.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chipping Norton Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Chipping Norton on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Service in Church at 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock, 1/3 each. Election of officers after tea.—H. Dickens, Hon. Sec.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Kettering District.—A special ringing meeting will be held at Weekley on Nov. 6th. Bells (6) ready 2.30. Short service at 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock. Kindly notify me Tuesday, Nov. 2nd for tea.—R. F. Turner, Hon. District Sec., 160, St. Peter's Avenue, Kettering.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Heston (by kind permission of the Vicar) on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea will be served at the Church Room at a reasonable charge. Business meeting to follow.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**HYDE, CHESHIRE.**—The ringers' opening of the ring of eight bells at St. George's Church will take place on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Meat tea (2/6) for all who send in their names not later than Tuesday, Nov. 2nd. Bells available from 1 o'clock. Tea 4.30.—T. Wilde, 3, Gower Rd., Hyde.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Oatlands Park on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards in the Working Men's Club. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, Nov. 2nd? All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley, Surrey.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Winchester District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Southampton on Saturday, Nov. 6th. St. Mary's bells (8) available from 2 to 9 p.m. Tea at the Deanery Class Room at 5.15, to be followed by the business meeting. All those who intend to be present at tea must advise me not later than Nov. 2nd.—W. H. George, District Sec., 1, Newtown Road, Eastleigh.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Nov. 6th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at SS. Phillip and Jacob's, Bristol, on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock in the schoolroom. Business meeting to follow. Please notify Hon. Sec. not later than Nov. 9th those requiring tea.—P. C. Williams, Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Dunster Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Dunster, on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.15. Tea and business meeting to follow. Members requiring tea kindly notify me by Nov. 2nd.—George Stacey, Minehead.

**ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, on Saturday, Nov. 13th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The November meeting will be held at Sheffield Cathedral on Saturday 13th. Bells (12) open at 3 o'clock. Short service in the Cathedral at 5 o'clock, with an address by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield. Tea will be served in the Wostenholm Hall at 5.45, to those who notify me not later than the 10th, at a charge of 1/3 per head. As this meeting will give us an introduction to Archdeacon Lisle Carr and Bishop Hedley Burrows, a full attendance is very desirable.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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**BLIND RINGER'S DEATH.**

As time rolls on, one by one, the good old faces leave us, and we now record the passing away, at the age of 69, of Richard Phillips, a native of Devizes, and best known in the neighbourhood as 'Dick.' The deceased, who was blind, was a ringer for more than 50 years, and as a tenor ringer he excelled. He had rung the tenor to peals of Grandsire and Stedman. On one occasion, at St. John's, on May 16th, 1908, he was complimented at the close of the peal by the Rev. F. E. Robinson, who rang the 7th; and the fact is alluded to in his work, 'Among the Bells' (page 616), in these words: 'The tenor was rung excellently by a blind man.' So recently as July 2nd, 1914—at the age of 63—he rang the 16wt. tenor to a peal at Bishop's Canninge (in which the writer of this notice took part), and he walked the distances from and to Devizes.

The first portion of the funeral service was held in St. John's Church, when some of his brother ringers officiated as bearers, and several wreaths were sent from the surrounding towers. W. L.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****THE SUGGESTED AMALGAMATION WITH CLEVELAND.**

A quarterly meeting of the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association was held at Northallerton on October 9th. Over 30 ringers were present, the towers of Scarborough, Pickering, Helmsley, Thornaby, Middlesborough and Saltburn being well represented. During the afternoon a business meeting was held in the vestry of the church, the chair being taken by the Rev. E. Drage, vice-president.

The suggested affiliation of the Yorkshire Association and the Cleveland Association was again discussed. Many of the ringers in the Cleveland district feel that so long as there are two associations covering one area the work of one or the other is bound to suffer.

A resolution was passed asking the officials of the two associations to meet and discuss the possibility of the suggested amalgamation.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. S. M. Thompson for placing the bells at the disposal of the visitors, and to Mr. Barnet, secretary of the local band, for his efforts towards making the visit to Northallerton a pleasure and a success.

**WATFORD, HERTS.**—At St. Mary's Parish Church on Sunday, August 29th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 51 mins.: W. E. Oakley 1, C. Picton 2, E. Jones 3, J. Milner 4, A. Beckensale 5, W. Hewitt 6, J. Spencer (conductor) 7, E. Elliott 8.

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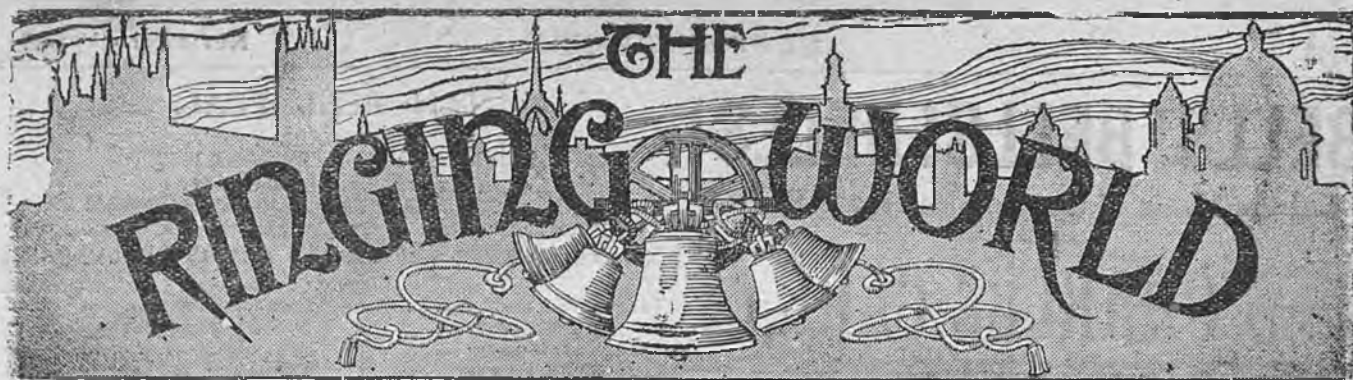
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## A DANGEROUS PRACTICE.

A subject of very considerable importance, as well as of interest, to ringers, is raised by a correspondent's inquiry with regard to the wedging of wooden bell frames. It arose out of a previous question in relation to the same matter, and in order that our readers shall have the most authentic opinion, we have submitted the enquiry to one of the best-known experts and give his reply. We direct special attention to what he says, because there are probably hundreds of towers up and down the country where the pernicious habit prevails of wedging a loose frame to the walls of the tower.

Ringers are, after all, the actual custodians of the bells, and it should be realised that the care does not end with the good 'go' of the bells themselves. The tower, as well as the frame, should be their responsibility, and it is gratifying to know that in these more enlightened days ringers generally stand fast for the calling in of an expert bellhanger when defects begin to reveal themselves in the way the bells respond to the rope. But there are many cases, such as that which has led to the present inquiry, in which in days past the village carpenter, or some similarly inexperienced person, has been called in, and his handiwork is beginning to show itself to-day. The danger that arises from wedging is that the thrust of the bells is conveyed to the walls in the form of hammer blows, which must eventually have the effect of weakening the tower. The sooner this is realised in the case of all towers where there are wedges in existence, the better it will be, for attention now and the application of the proper remedy will be the cheapest method in the long run.

It does not follow, by any means, that every loose frame, or one that is tightened up by being wedged to the walls, need be scrapped. By means of good and careful workmanship, many old wood frames could be made thoroughly good and sound structures, without danger to the fabric of the tower. Indeed, there are even advantages in utilising the old frames, for, when this is possible, the timber is so thoroughly settled down that no further shrinkage is likely to take place after it has been tightened up. But it is not a job for the local blacksmith or carpenter. There is nothing to which the old saw of 'a stitch in time' can be more aptly applied than to the restoration of bells. Church authorities are too prone to consider that bells are things which require little or no attention, and there are numerous instances where the ringers have to provide even the necessary grease out of their own funds. It should be the aim of every tower band to bring home to the authorities, where the responsibilities are not already realised, the importance of maintaining the bells in good condition, if only for the fact that the longer they are neglected the more expensive will be the cost of restoration.



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## TEN BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

THOMAS WALKER... .. Treble	RICHARD BEVAN ... .. 6
BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. 2	JOSEPH HERRBERT... .. 7
ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. 3	FRANK BALL ... .. 8
WILLIAM H. PICKETT... .. 4	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 9
ALFRED J. TRAFFITT ... .. 5	HORATIO J. GUMMER ... .. Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN.

Conducted by A. D. BARKER.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, Oct. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

* WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... .. Treble	THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	GEORGE CARD ... .. 6
REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 3	HORATIO J. GUMMER ... .. 7
* ISAAC ATTWATER ... .. 4	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by T. H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal in the method.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Oct. 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-PORT,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

FREDERICK G. LEAKER ... .. Treble	EDWIN J. BROWN ... .. 5
† WILLIAM ABRAHAMS ... .. 2	† FREDERICK TYLER ... .. 6
† SIDNEY ABRAHAMS ... .. 3	ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. 7
WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. 4	* OLIVER HARDWIDGE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED E. REEVES.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman Triples.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

THOMAS DOBLE ... .. Treble	HARRY BUNGAY ... .. 5
FRANK MILLARD ... .. 2	DAVID G. TAYLOR ... .. 6
EDWARD LLOYD ... .. 3	EDWARD WYATT ... .. 7
GEORGE SIBLEY ... .. 4	JAMES HUNT... .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by JAMES HUNT.

The peal was arranged to oblige the ringers of 4, 5 and 6, who hail from Ilminster.

READING, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(READING BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

J. CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

LEONARD T. OSBORNE ... .. Treble	RICHARD RUNHAM ... .. 5
GILBERT GOODSHIP ... .. 2	† HORACE OSBORNE ... .. 6
* GEORGE WIGGIN ... .. 3	AMBROSE W. OSBORNE ... .. 7
† ROBERT BISHOP... .. 4	* WILLIAM SIMMONDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD RUNHAM.

\* First peal. † First peal of Grandsire. † First peal of Grandsire with bob bell. First peal as conductor. Rung after the wedding of Mr. H. P. B. Hoare to Miss K. M. Manning. All are members of St. Giles' Society. G. Wiggin was elected a member of Oxford Guild before starting.



**BOLSTERSTONE, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

LEONARD SHAW ... .. Treble	JAMES T. SHAW ... .. 5
ALBERT HELLIWELL ... .. 2	JAMES H. CHARLESWORTH ... 6
SAMUEL HARRISON ... .. 3	WILLIAM HARRISON ... .. 7
ARCHIE BREARLEY ... .. 4	JOHN R. BREARLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE LEWIS. Conducted by J. R. BREARLEY.

Contains the 6th the extent wrong and home without the 2nd and 3rd in 6th's in the minimum number of changes, and is now rung for the first time. Rung as a farewell peal to the Vicar, the Rev. F. M. Brookes, who is leaving for Hutfeld, and as a birthday peal for J. T. Shaw, and a wedding peal for A. Helliwell.

**REDHILL, SURREY.**  
**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**  
 (SOUTHERN DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Holt's ORIGINAL.

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

FREDERICK W. RICE ... .. Treble	GEORGE ILLMAN ... .. 5
*ALBERT GEAR ... .. 2	WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... 6
ALBERT WOOD ... .. 3	WALTER CLAYDON ... .. 7
GEORGE F. HOAD ... .. 4	HENRY W. EDWARDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. HOAD.

\* First peal.

**ASHTED, SURREY.**  
**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

JOHN H. WHITE ... .. Treble	ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 5
*GEORGE COOK ... .. 2	GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 6
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 3	JOHN HOYLE ... .. 7
ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by ARTHUR DEAN.

\* First peal of Major with a bob bell.

**HATFIELD, HERTS.**  
**THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,**  
**AND THE HATFIELD COLLEGE YOUTHS.**

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ETHELREDA,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Holt's ORIGINAL.

Tenor 26 cwt.

*FREDERICK COLL ... .. Treble	JOSEPH J. POWERS ... .. 5
*DANIEL ELLINGHAM ... .. 2	WILLIAM NASH ... .. 6
†STANLEY HONOUR ... .. 3	JOHN T. KENTISH ... .. 7
JOHN SHEPHERD ... .. 4	GEORGE SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN T. KENTISH.

\* First peal of Grandsire. † First peal. Rung in honour of the birthday of the Marquis of Salisbury.

**CHATHAM, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt. in E flat.

*JACK HAIGH ... .. Treble	*STANLEY J. T. SHELLOCK ... 5
RICKS PAINE ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. WALKER ... .. 6
WILLIAM HAIGH ... .. 3	FREDERICK RICHARDSON ... 7
FRANK BELSEY ... .. 4	CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by F. RICHARDSON.

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

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**BATTLE, SUSSEX.**  
**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt.

JAMES GOODSSELL ... .. Treble	THOMAS HOAD ... .. 5
JOHN H. EDWARDS ... .. 2	ALBERT F. EDWARDS ... .. 6
JOHN SINDEN ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. HOAD ... .. 7
*ROBERT CURTIS ... .. 4	TRAYTON BOOTH ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. DAY. Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

\* First peal for 27 years. Messrs. Curtis and Sinden belong to the local band, the rest to Salehurst.

**BIRCH, MANCHESTER.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

*P.C. GEORGE PYE ... .. Treble	*P.C. JOHN CARTER ... .. 5
ALFRED FROST ... .. 2	P.C. FREDERICK PAGE ... .. 6
FRANK STONELEY ... .. 3	*P.C. JOSEPH WILSON ... .. 7
*P.C. WALTER BILLINGE ... 4	*P.C. JAMES TURNER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by P.C. FREDERICK PAGE.

\* First peal. The above police constables are members of the Manchester City Police Force.

**WEST KIRBY, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JAMES R. GRIFFIN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM WILCOX ... .. 5
*JOHN A. WEBSTER ... .. 2	MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 6
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 3	HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 7
THOMAS W. GILMOUR ... .. 4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER. Conducted by G. R. NEWTON.

\* First peal in the method. Miss Steel (Bedford) was elected a life member prior to starting the peal.

**BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Sunday, Oct. 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES, BOLTON,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR AINGE ... .. Treble	JAMES COTTERELL ... .. 5
FIRTH HOPWOOD ... .. 2	ARTHUR GILL ... .. 6
JOHN BODDY ... .. 3	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 7
ERNEST H. SIMPSON ... .. 4	JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOSEPH BROADLEY.

Rung on the occasion of the first visit of the Bishop of Bradford to St. James and as a birthday compliment to Joseph E. Sykes, of Huddersfield, Tom Cotterell and the conductor.

**DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Sunday, Oct. 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... .. Treble	*WALTER RUFFLES ... .. 5
*SIDNEY ROWE ... .. 2	THOMAS H. CHAPPELL ... .. 6
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 3	ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 7
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... .. 4	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN. Conducted by WILLIAM C. RUMSEY.

\* First peal and first attempt. Mr. Ruffles had only rung three courses of Bob Major prior to starting for the peal.

**SAMBLESBURY, LANCs.**—On Sunday August 29th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples for afternoon service: R. F. Deal (conductor) 1, J. Armstrong 2, J. Bailey 3, P. Cave 4, B. A. Knights 5, R. Sanderson 6, E. Harwood 7, E. Armstrong 8.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

CHURCHILL, OXON.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHIPPING NORTON DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Sunday, Oct. 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

42 Six-scores.

Tenor 11 cwt.

ALBERT STURDY ... .. Treble	WALTER BUSBY ... .. 4
HERBERT SHAYLER ... .. 2	WALTER LARGE ... .. 5
JACK KEYTE ... .. 3	ALFRED SHAYLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER LARGE.

This is the first peal upon the bells since they were rehung.

SHARNFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 different six-scores.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

* WILLIAM H. BRIGGS ... .. Treble	ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 4
CHARLES H. BRIGGS ... .. 2	* EDGAR CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 5
GEORGE WOOD ... .. 3	* LEONARD B. HINCKS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal and first attempt. The peal was arranged for these ringers.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Sandall, Duke of Norfolk, Islington, Norbury, Kingston, London Scholar's and Oxford. Tenor 9 cwt.

JAS. FERNLEY ... .. Treble	* H. HALLWORTH, JUN. ... .. 4
† J. P. FIDLER ... .. 2	H. LANGLEY ... .. 5
W. FERNLEY ... .. 3	J. W. HARTLEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES FERNLEY.

Rung as a compliment to the Vicar (Rev. A. J. Humphreys, B.A., B.D.) and the Curate (Rev. A. B. Waggett, L.Th.), who have both entered the parish during the past twelve months. † First peal away from the treble. \* First peal. All are members of local band.

WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(HALESWORTH DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's.

Tenor 14 cwt.

FREDERICK C. LAMBERT ... .. Treble	JAMES HOWARD ... .. 4
* EDWIN R. GOATE ... .. 2	JOHN SPENCER ... .. 5
† ERNEST COOK ... .. 3	JOHN LARTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. C. LAMBERT.

\* First peal. † First peal of Minor on an inside bell. Arranged for the ringer of the 2nd, who hails from Beccles.

BLANKNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

JOHN WALDEN ... .. Treble	* JOHN T. FREEMAN ... .. 4
GEORGE FLINTHAM ... .. 2	ARCHIE C. STOKES ... .. 5
GEORGE CHESTER ... .. 3	FREDERICK W. STOKES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. STOKES.

\* First peal on six bells. First peal on the bells, which were augmented to six by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. in March last, the old treble being recast and a new treble added. The bells are now a fine ring, fitted with ball bearings throughout, and hung in a new iron eight-bell frame, the 'go' being excellent. The same band rang the first 720 on the bells on March 14th last on the occasion of their dedication by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese.

NORTHCHURCH, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

FREDERICK NORRIS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. NEWELL ... .. 4
FREDERICK REEVE ... .. 2	OWEN BAYES ... .. 5
* WILLIAM C. BRUTON ... .. 3	* WILLIAM M. BATCHELOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. NEWELL.

\* First peal and first attempt. The tenor man is the first North-church ringer to ring a peal.

SHIPBOURNE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's of Grandsire and five of Plain Bob Minor.

HUBERT BOORMAN ... .. Treble	TOM SAUNDERS ... .. 4
GEORGE BELL ... .. 2	LEWIS NEWMAN ... .. 5
WILLIAM ELDRIDGE ... .. 3	HARRY BELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM ELDRIDGE.

WATH-ON-DEARNE, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BARNSELY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Monday, Oct. 25, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of the following seven methods: 720 each of Roystone Delight, Morning Pleasure, Nelson's Delight, Duke of Clarence, Sandal Exercise, York Minster and York Delight. Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT CHAMBERLIN ... .. Treble	* THOMAS HILTON ... .. 4
WILLIAM WOODCOCK ... .. 2	ARTHUR GILL ... .. 5
ARTHUR PANTHER ... .. 3	CHARLES WALSH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. PANTHER.

\* First peal.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Oct. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor size 18 in G.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 5-6
MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 3-4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT ST. MICHAEL'S, JOSEPH'S ROAD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 14 in D.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 1-2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 3-4	MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MRS. PULLING and ETHEL WOOD.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. F. I. Hairs, of Clapham.

CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Sunday, Oct. 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT 11, QUEEN ANNE TERRACE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

W. H. J. HOORON (Queens') 1-2	* B. F. SHEPPARD (Trin.) ... .. 5-6
E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... .. 3-4	H. G. BENSON (King's) ... .. 7-8

Arranged and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal on an inside pair.

### THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION. SUCCESSFUL MID-WEEKLY GATHERING.

A mid-week meeting at a six-bell tower was held on Tuesday, Oct. 19th, at St. Ann's, Stamford Hill, quite a large gathering of ringers being present, the attendance numbering just over 30. For about two hours the bells were kept going in short touches, so that everybody had an opportunity to ring, amongst the methods rung being Grand-sire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Cambridge Surprise Minor.

At a short business meeting held in the tower, a vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar (the Rev. H. de G. Rayner) for the use of the bells, and to Mr. T. C. Ringrose for the welcome given to the society. It is to be hoped that as a result of this meeting the local band will be encouraged to further improve themselves in change ringing.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles) stated that he was very sorry to have to report that since the last meeting they had lost, by death, two of their members, both of Walthamstow: Mr. George T. Clayton, of the St. Mary's Society, who died on October 8th, and Mr. Oliver L. Twist, of the St. Saviour's Society, who died on October 10th. Mr. Clayton was a few years ago the author of some interesting articles on Stedman Variations. He had been ill for some time, which had prevented him doing any sort of ringing. Mr. Twist had been hon. secretary to the St. Saviour's Society, and had died suddenly from pneumonia. Only on the Sunday previous to his death he had rung two quarter peals at St. Saviour's and St. Mary's Churches.—A sincere vote of condolence was passed to the relatives of the deceased members by all present standing in silence for a few moments.

### KETTERING RINGER'S DEATH.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Wm. Horden, of Kettering, who for many years was leader of the local band, and was much respected by a large circle of Northants ringers. Sixty-two years of age, Mr. Horden carried on business as a watchmaker and jeweller. For 40 years he was sidesman at the Parish Church, and he remained foreman of the ringers until just prior to the war. Owing to the pressure of business, he rang only six peals, viz., three of Grandsire Triples, one of Stedman Triples and one each on the treble of Superlative and London Surprise, but he was always regular in attendance for service ringing.

At the funeral four ringers acted as bearers (Messrs. D. J. Nichols, F. Sawfoot, A. V. Inns and A. E. Payne). The service was choral, and at the graveside a course of Grandsire Caters was rung on hand-

bells by: A. V. Inns 1-2, J. E. Chapman 3-4, D. J. Nichols 5-6, C. Chapman 7-8, F. Sawfoot 9-10. In the evening an attempt was made for a peal of Stedman Triples on tower bells, but this was unfortunately lost by a shift course, after an hour and a half's ringing. The 'whole pull and stand' was rung 62 times to denote the deceased's age. Mr. Horden will be sadly missed by all who had enjoyed his friendship.

### THE MAKING OF A CONDUCTOR.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Having following the correspondence appearing on this subject, and knowing the importance of bands being guided to do the best thing and so give every member a fair chance, it appears to me that the one best thing to do is to have some practical suggestions. To that end I wish to explain the system adopted at Halesowen (an eight-bell tower), and started by our late Ringing Master, Mr. Raybould. We had at that time several young conductors, and a weekly rota for four conductors for the quarter was made out. The weekly ringing comprised Sunday services, 10 a.m. and 5.45 p.m.; weekly practice, 1½ hours; occasional ringing for festivals, weddings, etc. This rota was hung in the belfry, and the ringer whose name appeared for the week had the right to conduct whatever came along. Of course, difficulties arose, sickness, holidays, etc., but this system has been followed for nearly 20 years, and has been quite successful and satisfactory to the band. The four conductors that started have successfully conducted peals of Stedman Triples and other methods, and at present we have five conductors on our rota out of a band of ten.

I give our system, in the hope that it may help and encourage leaders or Ringing Masters, and also young aspirants, and ringing bands to try it. I feel sure, with an enthusiastic leader and a loyal band, success will come.

Halesowen.

G. CORKIN.

MORETON CORBET.—The Salop Guild.—On Sunday, August 29th, an attempt was made for a peal of Minor but the bells were allowed to run round after four 720's had been rung, owing to one of the band feeling ill. The four 720's were one 720 Oxford Treble Bob, two 720's Kent Treble Bob and one 720 Grandsire Minor (2,880 changes). Longest length of Minor on the bells: E. V. Rodenhurst 1, W. D. Wase 2, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 3, S. Wood (of Ashton-under-Lyne) 4, W. Weatherby 5, W. Saunders 6.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

'Name' peals are not a recent innovation, for on Nov. 3rd, 1796, ten Williams, including, we believe, William Shipway, rang a peal at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields.

Mr. John Smith, ringer and verger at St. Martin's Church, Tipton died on Tuesday of last week, after a short illness. He was first secretary of the Worcestershire Association (1885 to 1904), and a member of the Dudley Guild and the Society for the Archdeaconry of Staffs.

The two last-named associations have also sustained a loss by the recent death of Mr. Albert Little, of St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, Society.

The ringer of the 9th in the peal at Southwark Cathedral, published last week, was Charles W. R. Grimwood, not R. S. Grimwood, as printed.

The anniversary of the first double-handed handbell peal fell on the 30th October. On that day in 1811 a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major was rung at Sheffield. Many of our readers will remember that a centenary peal was rung in 1911.

## THE WEDGING OF BELL FRAMES.

### DANGER TO TOWER WALLS.

The question replied to in our issue of Oct. 22nd, as to the advisability of wedging loose bell frames to the tower walls, has prompted the further inquiry, 'When a peal of bells are to be rehung in the old frame which has been wedged to the walls of the tower and become loose, is it wise to take out the wedges and make the frame good by other methods, or to insert new thin wedges, between the old wedges and the walls?'.

This matter is one of great importance, and we append the opinion of one of the leading practical experts of this country, to whom the question was submitted. He writes:—

'If the bell frame has been wedged to the walls of the tower, it is evident that this was necessary on account of the loose or weak condition of the framework. To merely make the wedges (which are said to have become loose) fast, would, in the great majority of cases, be a dangerous thing to do, as it would be throwing the whole strain of the bells direct upon the tower walls. A properly constructed bell frame, whether in wood or metal, is so braced that it is rigid in itself. It absorbs the strains, and by the time they are conducted to the foundation members, they are evenly distributed, and reduced to a minimum. A weak frame tied to the walls at the top timbers simply acts as a battering ram. Many old timber frames can be satisfactorily restored with tie bolts and angle cleats. In the majority of old bell frames the diagonal braces between the top and bottom timbers have their tenons merely pinned, and there are no vertical tie bolts fitted to tighten up the joints. After the natural shrinkage of the timbers the joints become loose, and the framework develops lateral movement. If the timber is sound, of proper proportions, and supported by good sound floor beams, vertical tie bolts can be fitted by boring through the whole depth of the frame (top timbers, braces and bottoms). These bolts are usually fitted with a nut and plate at each end for convenience in insertion. A bolt should be inserted through every diagonal brace, and when all are tightly screwed up, the framework is made rigid and can be kept so. If, however, the framework is weak, and poor in construction, it is most inadvisable to try and patch it up. Any bell frame, however strengthened, which has to depend upon wedging to the walls, ought to be scrapped. A careful examination should, however, be made by an expert before this could be decided upon.'

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the N.E. Division was held at Tollesbury on Saturday, October 23rd. The Vicar took a rope in the ringing, conducted the service, and gave an address, in the course of which he referred to the history of the bells. Two are by Miles Gray, dated 1604 and 1661; one by T. Gardner, of Sudbury, 1728; another is by T. Mears, 1794, while the 2nd is dated 1872, and treble 1796, recast 1904. An entry in the register states that bells were hung in the tower and oak beams placed there on November 26th, 1633. These beams still remain.

Tea was partaken of in the Parish Hall, and at the business meeting Mr. W. J. Nevard, District Master, presided, supported by the Vicar (the Rev. W. Carter), and Mr. H. T. Pye, district secretary. The following new members were elected: Mr. H. B. Gardner, Goldhanger, hon. ringing member; Messrs. Arthur Appleton and S. J. White, G. Clarke and F. Clarke, Wormingford; J. R. Girling and A. C. Girling, Thorington; F. Garraod and T. Frost, Tollesbury, ringing members and probationers.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. W. Carter for his able address, for arranging and superintending the tea, and for the use of the bells and Parish Hall, also to the organist and those assisting at tea.

The place of next meeting was left in the hands of the secretary to arrange.—The following towers were represented: Great Bentley, Great Bromley, Colchester, Chelmsford, Goldhanger, Little Horkesley, Maldon, Great Tatham, Tollesbury and Rettendon.



**THE LATE MR. BOWEN COOKE.****CLOSE OF A LIFE OF INTENSE ACTIVITY.**

As briefly recorded last week, the Exercise has to mourn the death of one of its honoured members in Mr. Charles Bowen Cooke, of Crewe, president of the Chester Diocesan Guild. Owing to work of national importance during the war—additional to the great responsibility of his position as chief mechanical engineer of the L. and N.W. Railway Company—Mr. Cooke recently developed heart trouble. His doctor prescribed a complete rest, and accordingly he withdrew to his holiday home in Cornwall. From reports received he seems never to have gained any appreciable recovery, and, unfortunately, when influenza supervened, it proved too great a strain upon the enfeebled heart. The end came on the 18th inst., Mr. Cooke being 61 years of age.

Mr. Cooke was a 'son of the Manse,' and became interested in bells in his earliest years in his father's parish. He brought his interest to Crewe when he moved there to serve an apprenticeship in the engine shops. It was then that he met the late Mr. R. T. Holding, and through him gained his knowledge of practical change ringing. He occupied the position of chairman of the Crewe Branch of the Chester Guild, and in 1914 he succeeded the late Archdeacon Barber as Master of the Guild. In this capacity he proved a powerfully inspiring and unifying force. Always accessible, he won the confidence and respect of the members, and increasingly so as the years passed. In one way or another he was in the habit of comparing his position as director of the activities of thousands of men with his position as being under the direction of a conductor when ringing, and would then enforce the necessity of a guiding authority in social matters generally, and of prompt surrender to it if progress was to be made and success achieved. He rang five peals—his last, Grandsire Caters, during his Mayoralty in 1919. A real gentleman, an attractive personality and a safe guide, his death is a keen loss to the Guild and a cause of deep sorrow to every member. Conscious of that loss, we are the better able to appreciate the greater loss sustained by his wife and family, and, in sincerity, to sympathise with them. One married daughter sailed for the Malay States only a few days prior to her father's death, anticipating that he was well on the road to recovery.

Educated at Cheltenham, King's College, and on the Continent, Mr. Cooke served an apprenticeship in the Crewe shops, of which he was subsequently to become the chief. After occupying various posts of importance, he was appointed chief mechanical engineer in 1909, and was responsible for the design of some of those wonderful engines which have maintained the L.N.W.R. in the forefront of railways in this country. Mr. Cooke was a member of the Institution of Civil Engineers and of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, and apart from his professional position, fulfilled an important part in the social life of Crewe, where he devoted himself to the welfare of the townspeople, whose prosperity is so much dependent upon the railway. Mr. Cooke was a member of the Town Council and Mayor in 1917-18; he was also a borough and county magistrate; a member of the Cheshire County Council representing the South Ward of Crewe; president of Crewe Cottage Hospital; president of the Crewe Men's Brotherhood; president of the Crewe Mechanics' Institution and Social Club; president of the Crewe Alexandra Athletic Club, and officially connected with other local organisations. Mr. Bowen Cooke led a strenuous life during the war, when the greater part of the Crewe engineering shops were utilised for the manufacture of munitions. In June, 1916, he was gazetted a major in the Engineer and Railway Staff Corps. At the end of 1917 he went on a mission to America, and several times visited France in connection with railway engineering matters. He served on several committees appointed by the Government, and it was conferring honour where honour was due when, in January, 1918, he was made a Commander of the Order of the British Empire.

From this brief summary, it will be seen what an intensely active life Mr. Cooke led, and yet, as far as his duties permitted, he was present regularly Sunday by Sunday to take his part in ringing for service at Christ Church.

The funeral took place at Falmouth, and a memorial service was held at Crewe.

Both before and after the memorial service, the bells at the above church were rung muffled by the Crewe ringers, all of them being L. and N.W. Railway employees.

**HERTFORD COLLEGE YOUTHS.**

To celebrate the wedding of the hon. secretary and treasurer of the Hertford College Youths (Mr. Herbert J. Gray) on Sept. 22nd, members of this society rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 46 mins., conducted by the Master, Col. H. Baker: B. Tyler 1, R. Dore 2, A. E. Creasey 3, W. Greenaway (first quarter-peal) 4, A. Wright 5, J. Ludley 6, H. Baker 7, A. E. Akers 8. The wedding took place in Sussex.

**GREAT YARMOUTH.**—On Monday, August 30th, at St. Nicholas' 1260 of Grandsire Caters: G. Clayton 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, D. Heywood 3, C. Harding 4, W. J. E. Jones 5, A. Webber 6, A. Wright 7, W. J. Lee 8, B. Thompson 9, C. H. Thain 10.

**DEATH OF MR. V. SEAR.****A PIONEER OF RINGING AT BLETCHLEY.**

One of the oldest and most respected of North Bucks ringers, Mr. Valentine Sear, of Yew Tree Cottage, Bletchley, passed suddenly away after a short illness at No. 3, Waterloo Rd., Linslade, Leighton Buzzard, where at the time he was on a short visit to Mr. J. Sear, his only brother. Mr. Sear, whose age was over 70, had on the previous Sunday taken part in the ringing at St. Barnabas' Church, Linslade, for evening service. He had been for a number of years a well-known member of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, was the pioneer of change ringing at Bletchley, and the oldest member of the St. Mary's band. He had always taken a great interest in ringing, and was one of the very few who have 'pricked' out a full peal of Grandsire Triples. He took part in 23 peals, his first being rung at Harrow-on-the-Hill in 1899, and his last (a peal of Stedman Triples by the local band) on July 5th, 1919, rung in commemoration of the signing of peace at St. Mary's, Bletchley. He had held the position of sexton at St. Mary's for a great number of years, and was always a willing worker in any other branch of Church work. Not only will he be greatly missed in the belfry and by his fellow churchworkers, but also by his numerous friends and by all who knew him.

The funeral took place on October 23rd at St. Mary's Church, Bletchley, amidst many expressions of respect and regret. The service was choral, and was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. F. W. Bennett). Ringers, chosen from the St. Mary's band, bore the coffin from the church to the graveside, a most impressive service being brought to a close by the choir singing a portion of hymn No. 401. Amongst the various bodies represented were the churchwardens, the Parochial Council, ringers of St. Mary's, and various neighbouring towers, the railway electrical staff and the telegraph section, with all of which he had been connected in the past.

After the service, the 'whole pull and stand' and a touch of Stedman Triples were rung with the bells fully muffled.

On Sunday, for morning service, 504 Stedman Triples was rung, conducted by Mr. E. Reader, Loughborough (brother-in-law of deceased), and for evening service, with the bells half-muffled, 224 Double Norwich and 336 Stedman Triples, Mr. A. G. Crane, Southgate, and Mr. J. D. Mathews, London, taking part.

**ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY ASSOCIATION****MEETING AT HUNTINGDON.**

A very successful meeting of the Hunts District of the Ely and St. Edmundsbury Diocesan Association was held at Huntingdon on Oct. 16th, when the three towers of St. Mary's (8) and All Saints' (8), Huntingdon, and Godmanchester (8) were open for ringing, and in them various touches were rung during the afternoon and evening. About 30 ringers were present from Huntingdon, St. Neots, Great Staughton, Chatteris, Everton, Long Stanton, Newmarket, Melbourn, Cambridge Town, Cambridge University, Peterborough, and one from far-off Grantham. There were three lady ringers present.

A service was held at St. Mary's Church, conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. Neil Smith, who gave an excellent address.

Tea was followed by a meeting, at which the Rev. Neil Smith presided. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Ely on January 29th, subject to the convenience of the authorities.—Messrs. G. E. Harfield and E. Herring, of Huntingdon, were elected members, and Mr. J. J. Jutson, of Peterborough, a life member of the association.—Mr. Jutson expressed a hope that the members of the Hunts District would pay a friendly visit to Peterborough before long, and the District Secretary (the Rev. H. B. Woolley) said that he had no doubt they would be pleased to do so.—Votes of thanks having been passed to the various incumbents for the use of their bells, and to the Rev. Neil Smith for his address, the Vicar, in reply, observed that he was very pleased to welcome the ringers to Huntingdon.

Altogether the meeting gave the impression that ringing was looking up in the neighbourhood, and friendly interest extended to a wide circle.

H. B. W.

**BROCKLEY'S SILENT BELLS.**

A correspondent writing to the 'Kentish Mercury' last week says: 'It was with surprise that I heard that St. Peter's Church, Brockley, possessed a complete peal of bells, which have never been rung owing to local opposition. Possibly this information will be news to a large number of your present readers in the neighbourhood. It would be interesting to know whether these bells still exist, and, if so, whether the prejudice of thirty years ago persists to-day, as, otherwise, there are surely many, like myself, who would delight in hearing the peal at suitable times and on special occasions.'

We are informed that a parishioner of St. Peter's, the late Mr. T. H. Fry, who learned to ring at St. John's Church, Lewisham Road, a church in close proximity to St. Peter's, offered to defray the cost of a ring of eight bells, but encountered a very large amount of opposition on the part of residents, who presented a petition to the Ecclesiastical authorities. This was heard at Southwark, and to the great regret of ringers and sympathisers, was upheld.

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## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AT BARKING

A very pleasant meeting of the Northern District was held at St. Margaret's, Barking, on Saturday, October 16th. Some very excellent touches of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Superlative were brought round before tea. At the business meeting held in the tower presided over by the District Master, one new member was elected, viz., Mr. A. C. Chaplin, of Dagenham. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to Mr. C. Fenn for having everything in readiness. The association wishes to express special thanks to Mr. Fenn and the Barking band for the welcome extended, and will look forward with pleasure to the next visit.

After the meeting several more touches were successfully concluded, those members who turned up being delighted with the 'tone' and 'go' of this beautiful old peal.

## FOUR QUARTERS AT ACTON.

At St. Mary's Church, Acton, London, four quarter-peals of Grand-sire Triples have been rung as follows:—August 22nd: A. E. Smith 1, \*S. D. Breeze 2, C. Brown 3, R. H. Boddington 4, Arthur Shepherd (Hatfield) 5, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 6, W. Vickery 7, H. E. Easton 8. October 1st, harvest festival: H. Wincote 1, J. W. Frith 2, C. Brown 3, J. E. Rootes 4, C. Edwards 5, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 6, W. Vickery 7, S. D. Breeze 8. Oct. 3rd, harvest festival: J. Smith 1, H. Wincote 2, C. Brown 3, R. H. Boddington 4, \*R. A. Fardon 5, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 6, C. Edwards 7, S. D. Breeze 8. Oct. 3rd, after evensong: Mrs. Dobbie 1, H. Wincote 2, S. D. Breeze 3, C. Brown 4, J. E. Rootes 5, Robt. Holloway (conductor) 6, C. Dobbie 7, H. Easton 8. † First quarter peal. \* First quarter inside.

## READING RINGERS AT BRISTOL.

Ten members of St. Mary's Society, Reading, recently had an enjoyable two days' excursion to Bristol. Leaving on Saturday, they reached the western city soon after 10 a.m., and were met by Mr. A. E. Reeves, who conducted the party to St. Phillip's, where Stedman and Double Norwich were rung. After dinner, the visitors made their way to the Suspension Bridge and Clifton Downs, and later met at St. Andrew's, Clifton, and rang Grand-sire, Stedman and Double Norwich. In the evening, Stedman and Double Norwich were rung at St. Matthew's, Kingsdown, and Stedman Caters at St. James's.

On Sunday morning, touches of Stedman Caters were rung at St. Nicholas' Church before and after morning service, while the afternoon was spent with Mr. J. B. Tyler, mine host of the Swan Hotel, with the handbells. Reading was reached again at 8.50 p.m., after one of the most enjoyable outings the society has ever had. The best thanks are due to the various steeplekeepers and other Bristol friends who did so much to make the outing such a success, more especially to Mr. A. E. Reeves, who was responsible for all arrangements and acted as guide and friend of the party for two days. The ringers who made the journey were: Messrs. W. P. Routh, J. Swain, F. Hopgood, H. Hopgood, A. Watmore, W. A. Webb, R. Sawyer, J. Goodenough, A. Jeffery, E. Holloway and C. Giles.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL WAR MEMORIAL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Can I appeal through your columns for support in our object of adding two bells to the present ring of eight, at Berkeley Parish Church, Gloucester, as a memorial to our fallen members? As indicated below we have made a wonderful collection notwithstanding the fact that only about 30 per cent. of the collecting cards have been returned. I should like to appeal to all those who have cards to get them filled in as quickly as possible, and I am sure that the association would be extremely grateful for assistance, large or small, from life members, even though they reside far from us. Any donations would be acknowledged through the post and in these columns from time to time.—Yours faithfully,

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).—The 283rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Tickets, 8/6 each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, R. T. Hibbert, E. Horrex, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, W. J. Kemp, A. R. Macdonald, A. S. Miller, H. R. Newton, A. E. Noakes, W. H. Pasmore, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, R. Sanders, A. Walker, H. J. Walton, C. F. Winney, or W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4. Towers open for ringing will be St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 3 to 5.30 p.m.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Lugwardine on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Bells (6) available 3.30. Service 5.30. Tea 6.15.—C. Edwards, Gt. Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

ELY ASSOCIATION.—A meeting for practice will be held at Soham (10 bells) on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Bells 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—R. Lathbury, Newmarket.

BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the above will be held at Darfield on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Bells available 4 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. Panther, Sec. (pro tem.), 25, Sandymount Road, Wath-on-Dearne.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chipping Norton Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Chipping Norton on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Service in Church at 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock, 1/3 each. Election of officers after tea.—H. Dickins, Hon. Sec.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Kettering District.—A special ringing meeting will be held at Weekley on Nov. 6th. Bells (6) ready 2.30. Short service at 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—R. F. Turner, Hon. Dis. Sec., 160, St. Peter's Avenue, Kettering.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Heston (by kind permission of the Vicar) on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea will be served at the Church Room at a reasonable charge. Business meeting to follow.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Oatlands Park on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards in the Working Men's Club. All ringers welcome.—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley, Surrey.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Winchester District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Southampton on Saturday, Nov. 6th. St. Mary's bells (8) available from 2 to 9 p.m. Tea at the Deanery Class Room at 5.15, to be followed by the business meeting.—W. H. George, District Sec., 1, Newtown Road, Eastleigh.



**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Nov. 6th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Bristol Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at SS. Phillip and Jacob's, Bristol, on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock in the schoolroom. Business meeting to follow. Please notify Hon. Sec. not later than Nov. 9th those requiring tea.—P. C. Williams, Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Dunster Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Dunster, on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.15. Tea and business meeting to follow.—George Stacey, Minehead.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on Nov. 30th; Southwark Cathedral on the 9th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 11th and 25th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 16th (election of officers). \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**.—Quarterly meeting at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, on Saturday, Nov. 13th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY**.—The November meeting will be held at Sheffield Cathedral on Saturday 13th. Bells (12) open at 3 o'clock. Short service in the Cathedral at 5 o'clock, with an address by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield. Tea will be served in the Wostenholm Hall at 5.45, to those who notify me not later than the 10th, at a charge of 1/3 per head. As this meeting will give us an introduction to Archdeacon Lisle Carr and Bishop Heddy Burrows, a full attendance is very desirable.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Broxbourne and Hoddesdon on Nov. 13th, when the bells of both towers will be open during the afternoon and evening. Tea at 'The Welcome' at 5 o'clock, 1/-; business meeting after. All will be heartily welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Northern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting afterwards.—F. R. Bacon, District Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at St. Francis Xavier's, on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Bells ready 4.30. Meeting 6.30.—Walter Hughes.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Pendlebury, on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Bells at 4. Meeting at 7 p.m.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**.—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Nutfield on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Bells available 3 to 9 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 p.m. All ringers cordially invited.—H. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

**SALOP GUILD**.—Quarterly meeting at Shifnal on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Ringing 2 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m., 1/6 if ordered from Hon. Sec., Rev. F. Tennison, Shrewsbury, before Nov. 9th.

**LADIES' GUILD**.—A meeting will be held at Isham, Northants, on Nov. 20th. Further particulars next week.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD**.—A meeting of the North and East district will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 5. Tea at 5.30; business meeting to follow. All requiring tea should advise me by the 17th inst. The charge for same will be 1/6.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Basingstoke District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Basingstoke on Saturday, Nov. 20th. St. Michael's tower open at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45 to be followed by the annual business meeting. 6d. allowed for tea to all members informing me not later than 16th.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. District Sec., Deane Rectory, Overton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Accrington on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society) (Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 20th, at St. Alfege, Greenwich. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., business meeting at 6 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Whitworth on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting 6.30. Subscriptions are now due.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**.—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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**NEWHALL**.—On August 31st, on the occasion of the dedication of war memorial, consisting of an oak pulpit and a brass tablet, at St. John's Church, recording the names of the 171 men of the parish who laid down their lives in the great war 720 Bob Minor was rung with the bells—attended by: W. Redfern 1, J. Hough 2, G. Billings 3, J. Hough, junr. 4, H. Brealey 5, H. Hurdman (conductor) 6.

**HIGHER SUTTON**.—Chester Diocesan Guild.—On Sunday evening, Sept. 5th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. W. L. Slack 1, W. Matthews 2, T. Taylor 3, S. Cardell 4, H. Davenport (conductor) 5, J. Manifold 6.



**HALF-MUFFLED RINGING AT WOMBOURN.**

At St. Benedict's Church, Wombourne, Staffs, on October 6th, 1920, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins.: W. Devey, junr., 1, Rev. C. Holroyd Barker 2, J. Corns 3, G. H. Sadler 4, W. Devey, senr., 5, J. Apse 6, Horace Sadler (conductor) 7, C. Holden 8. Rang with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mrs. Nicholas, widow of the late Prob. Nicholas for 18 years Vicar of this parish. At the same church, on Oct. 21st, two quarter-peals of Grandsire Triples (a) in 46 mins.: W. Devey, junr., 1, Isaac Purser 2, Herbert Knight (conductor) 3, Rev. C. H. Barker 4, G. H. Sadler 5, Horace Sadler 6, J. Apse 7, B. Fullwood 8; (b) in 47 mins.: W. Devey, junr., 1, J. Corns 2, T. Thorpe 3, Rev. C. H. Barker 4, W. Devey, senr., 5, J. Apse 6, Horace Sadler (conductor) 7, B. Fullwood 8. Both rung, with bells half-muffled, on the occasion of the funeral of Albert Little for many years a ringer at this church and at St. Peter's, Wolverhampton.

**WINCHESTER GUILD.**

A very successful meeting of the Portsmouth District was held at Alverstoke recently. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise were rung by ringers from Portsea, Portsmouth, Gosport, Curdridge, Fareham, Havant, Wickham, Newport, and the local band, augmented by Mr. G. Williams (Ringing Master), the Rev. E. B. James, Messrs. Hazell and King, of the Whitechapel Foundry, and visitors from Southampton and Farham.—The Rector conducted the service, and gave the Guild a very hearty welcome.—Forty members, including the Rector, partook of tea in the Parish Hall, and at the subsequent meeting, presided over by the Rev. Guy Landon, several items of interest were discussed.—A very hearty vote of thanks (proposed by the Rev. E. B. James) was accorded the Rector for the use of the bells, for taking the service, and for allowing the use of the Parish Hall for tea.—The Rector, in reply, said that it gave him great pleasure to be with the Guild members, and he was pleased to hear the bells being rung. As an hon. member he wished to forward the interest of the Guild, and hoped they would soon meet at Alverstoke again. He paid a great compliment to his foreman, Mr. Coombes, for the way in which he had instructed the local ringers.

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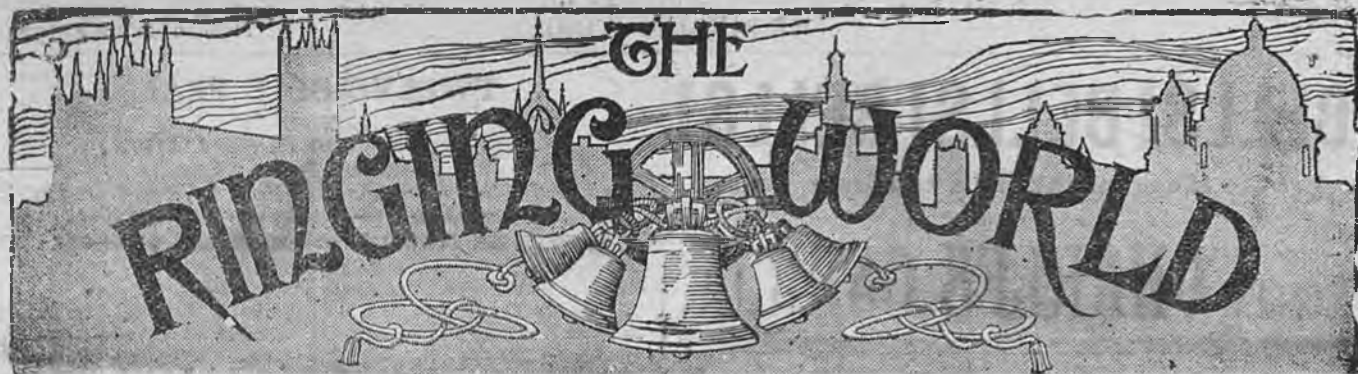
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From the very beginning the College Youths have embraced many, if not most, of the men distinguished in the art; its membership has spread to the four corners of the kingdom and beyond, and the Exercise to-day owes a great deal to the Ancient Society and those who have figured upon its roll. This is not flattery, it is simple fact. The history of the society is very largely the history of change ringing. Thirty years before Fabian Stedman published his first book on campanology, the Youths, who met on College Hill, in the City of London, had laid the foundations of this great society. That was in 1637, and there has been no advance in the practice of the art since that day which has not found the College Youths abreast of it. Think of the progress of method ringing from the days of those first Youths—when, at best, the changes consisted of moving only two bells at a time—to the ringing of complicated things like London Major or Cambridge Maximus. The College Youths have been in the van of it all. In the progress of time they have established many great records, and if these have afterwards been surpassed it has often been the efforts of the College Youths which have fired the ambition of others to excel the performances of the Ancient Society.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;**

Tenor 50 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY... ..	Treble	WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... 7
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2		JAMES E. DAVIS... .. 8
ARTHUR J. NEALE ... 3		GEORGE CARD ... 9
† WILLIAM J. NEDDS ... 4		HORACE BELCHER ... 10
JAMES SCHOLES ... 5		JAMES GEORGE ... 11
ARTHUR D. BARKER ... 6		JAMES BULLOCK ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by T. H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal on 12 bells. † 50th peal of Stedman Cinques on tower bells.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30½ cwt.

WILLIAM WILLSON ... ..	Treble	ALBERT H. WARD ... 6
* MISS HILDA WILLSON ... 2		EDWARD C. GOBBY ... 7
* WILLIAM SMITH... .. 3		* HORACE STUBBS... .. 8
HARRY BROUGHTON ... 4		EDWARD READER ... 9
* HAROLD POOLE ... 5		* JOHN OLDHAM ... Tenor

Composed by W. WILLSON. Conducted by EDWARD READER.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Royal. The ringers of 1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th, hail from Leicester, 6th from Derby, 7th from Ilkeston, the remainder belong to All Saints', Loughborough.

CREWE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BRANDSIRE CATERS, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

* WILLIAM EDGE ... ..	Treble	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... 6
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY ... 2		JAMES H. RIDING... .. 7
HARRY OVERTON ... 3		GEORGE HARDING ... 8
RICHARD D. LANGFORD ... 4		RICHARD T. HOLDING... .. 9
HARRY F. HOLDING ... 5		WILLIAM CHADWICK ... Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by RICHARD T. HOLDING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the Master of the Guild, the late C. J. Bowen Cooke, C.B.E., and also to the late Richard Langford, both regular members of the above tower. Quickest peal on the bells. \* First peal away from the tenor. All the above ringers are employed by the L. & N.W. Railway Co., to which Mr. Cooke was Chief Mechanical Engineer. C.C. Collection, page 39, section 1.

LEEDS, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5029 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM MAIGH ... ..	Treble	ERNEST SPILLER ... 6
* RICKS PAINE ... .. 2		FREDERICK RICHARDSON ... 7
THOMAS MANNERING... .. 3		WILLIAM E. SPICE ... 8
* CHARLES WINNER ... 4		LEONARD MANNERING... .. 9
* CLER. SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. 5		WILLIAM J. WALKER ... Tenor

Composed by LOUIS HEAD. Conducted by THOMAS MANNERING.

\* First peal of Caters.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS: Kent County Association.—On Saturday, September 11th, at St. Peter's Church, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of Treble Bob Major, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: H. Markwell 1, R. Jenner 2, J. Heasman 3, F. White 4, W. H. Wheaden (first quarter-peal in the method) 5, J. Wheaden 6, W. Latter (conductor) 7, E. Leigh 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. F. White.



## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.

FREDERICK WILBY ... .. Treble	BERTIE WHITESIDE ... .. 5
ARTHUR W. BALDWIN ... .. 2	*WILLIAM B. DUNCAN ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. HOWSON ... .. 3	JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 7
GEORGE COOKE ... .. 4	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by W. E. BASON.

\* First peal of Bob Major with inside bell on tower bells.

## ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

*GEORGE PEERS ... .. Treble	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 5
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... .. 2	GEORGE F. GARRISON ... .. 6
THOMAS H. REEVES ... .. 3	†HERBERT C. SPENCER ... .. 7
CHARLES CHAPMAN ... .. 4	JAMES PRATT ... .. Tenor

Composed by MORRIS J. MORRIS. Conducted by G. F. SWANN.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. Rung as a farewell peal to Mr. H. E. Platt who has retired from position of organist at the above church, after 30 years faithful and devoted service and a staunch friend of the Erdington ringers.

## EPSOM, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Oct. 25, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

*GEORGE COOK ... .. Treble	HENRY CORBETT ... .. 5
JOHN BEAMS ... .. 2	ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
JOHN HOYLE ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

HEAVITREE, ESSEX.  
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.  
(EXETER DISTRICT BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Oct. 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt.

JOHN SANDOVER ... .. Treble	THOMAS LAVER ... .. 5
WILLIAM LETHBRIDGE ... .. 2	GEORGE BETTS ... .. 6
FRANK MURPHY ... .. 3	JOHN FERRIS ... .. 7
FRANK J. DAVEY ... .. 4	HENRY SEAGER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS LAVER.

Rung as a compliment to John Ferris.

## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, Oct. 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. Treble	*CECIL RADDON ... .. 5
THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 2	HARRY KILBY ... .. 6
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 3	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 7
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM J. NUDDS.

\* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob.

LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.—On Monday, September 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1259 changes), in 50 mins.: J. Potter 1, \*R. Harrison 2, W. R. Nash 3, D. T. Matkin (conductor) 4, A. E. Wynders 5, H. Jones 6 (tenor 22½ cwt.). \* First quarter-peal. This is the first quarter-peal on the bells by a local band since 1912.

## NORWICH.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL COSLANY,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN E. BURTON ... .. Treble	CHARLES E. BORRETT ... .. 5
GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 2	ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 6
*MISS HILDA L. DURRANT ... .. 3	FRED J. HOWCHIN ... .. 7
*GEORGE A. SPARKS ... .. 4	FRANK R. COPEMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. E. BURTON.

\* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. 100th peal for the Norwich Association on tower bells by G. H. Cross.

## LONDON.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Oct. 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*WILLIAM J. NELDER ... .. Treble	HUGH HILLS ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... .. 2	ISAAC ATTWATER ... .. 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 3	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. 7
THOMAS WALKER ... .. 4	HENRY C. TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ISAAC ATTWATER.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to ringer of the 7th.

OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(OLDHAM SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS, MOORSIDE,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt. 18 lb.

HERBERT BARLOW ... .. Treble	SAMUEL HOLT ... .. 5
SAMUEL M. BUTTERWORTH ... .. 2	JAMES LEES ... .. 6
ASA WILDE ... .. 3	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT ... .. 7
GEORGE HILL ... .. 4	CHARLES E. PLATT ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. THORP.

Conducted by C. E. PLATT.

Ringers of the 1st, 3rd, 6th and 8th, belong to Moorside, 2nd to Oldham, 5th to Middleton, 7th to Ashton-under-Lyne, 4th to Penistone. The peal was a birthday compliment to the treble ringer. Messrs. Wild and Hill were made members of the Oldham Society before starting.

## HUGGLESCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*H. MARCON ... .. Treble	GERALD GRIFFIN ... .. 5
†THOMAS ATKINS ... .. 2	PERCY HADFIELD ... .. 6
*JOHN H. DEAN ... .. 3	EPH. W. RANDS ... .. 7
GEORGE WALKER ... .. 4	HARRY POWDRILL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. W. RANDS.

\* First peal. † First on eight bells.

## OWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.

## THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

ALFRED LEA, SEN. ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 5
WILLIAM D. WASE ... .. 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... .. 6
†THOMAS CATHRALL ... .. 3	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. 7
WILLIAM JONES ... .. 4	*JOHN JONES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman. The ringers of the treble, 3rd, 4th and tenor, hail from Wrexham, 2nd and 5th from Coalbrookdale, 6th from Hodnet, 7th from Shrewsbury. Rung on the birthday of A. Lea, sen., and E. V. Rodenhurst.

EAST MEON, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 19 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... .. 5
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 2	ALFRED MEARS ... .. 6
D. C. WILLIAMS, F.R.C.O. ... 3	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... 7
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN. ... 4	RICHARD STONE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTH WESTERN DIVISION.)

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

*HERBERT WOOD... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... 5
ARTHUR J. NEALE ... .. 2	GEORGE HAYDEN... .. 6
†ERNEST PLUMMER ... .. 3	JOHN DALE ... .. 7
EDGAR WIGHTMAN ... .. 4	JOHN MOULE... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

\* First peal on 8 bells. † First attempt in any method. This composition is now rung for the first time.

THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt. 0 qr. 7 lb.

*THOMAS H. BENT ... .. Treble	JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 5
ROWLAND BARROW ... .. 2	WILLIAM ALDRIDGE ... .. 6
*ALFRED BALLARD ... .. 3	ERNEST MORRIS... .. 7
ARTHUR J. BALLARD... .. 4	*STEPHEN ADKINSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. THURSTAN. Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal at first attempt. The ringers wish to thank the local Society for their kind hospitality after the peal.

BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

FREDERICK J. STONOW ... Treble	JOHN MEAD ... .. 5
WILLIAM MEAD ... .. 2	WALTER SEAR ... .. 6
FRANCIS HEDGES... .. 3	HARRY SEAR... .. 7
HARRY F. MORRIS ... .. 4	FREDERICK WHITEHEAD ... Tenor

Conducted by HARRY SEAR.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of Valentine Sear, who died Oct. 19th, 1920, after a very short illness at the age of 70. He was pioneer of change ringing at Bletchley, and sexton at the above church for over 49 years. Rung by the local band.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

*CECIL W. PIPE ... .. Treble	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 5
REV. WILLIAM A. PEARSON ... 2	CHARLES H. CATCHEPOLE ... 6
GEORGE E. WIGHTMAN ... .. 3	JAMES MOTTS ... .. 7
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... .. 4	FREDERICK J. TILLET ... Tenor

Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

\* First peal in the method. This is the first peal in this method rung upon the bells; and the first peal rung upon them since their recent restoration by Messrs. G. Day and Son, of Eye. The last peal rung here was on March 7th, 1904.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

EASTON MAUDIT.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

*AMOS SMART ... .. Treble	J. R. MAIN ... .. 3
H. GAYTON... .. 2	ALBERT MINNEY ... .. 4
E. J. JONES ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by H. GAYTON

\* First peal. The peal was arranged for Messrs. Gayton and Main who come from Harrold, Beds, and Finedon respectively.

STOKESAY, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores ten different callings. Tenor 12 cwt.

ARTHUR NASON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM MEAD... .. 4
DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 2	HENRY C. COLLYER ... .. 5
*REV. HAROLD J. SCOTT ... 3	†HUBERT JONES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

\* First peal of Doubles and first in the method. † First peal on six bells. First peal as conductor on tower bells. The ringers would like to thank the Vicar (Rev. A. M. Winter) for the use of the bells, also for the sumptuous tea after the peal.

EPPING, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 14 cwt.

BENJAMIN G. BURTON ... Treble	ISAAC CAVILL ... .. 4
WILLIAM MARRABLE ... .. 2	HENRY SHUTTLEWOOD ... 5
WILLIAM LITTLECHILD ... 3	JAMES MANSFIELD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ISAAC CAVILL.

RICKINGHALL, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
On Sunday, Oct. 31, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Double Court and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

FREDERICK FRANCIS ... Treble	ALPHAEUS BERRY ... .. 4
WILLIAM ROSE ... .. 2	JAMES BAILEY ... .. 5
EDGAR BAILEY ... .. 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

Rung to oblige Messrs. E. Bailey and Naunton, who were on a visit to the district.

WOODSTON, PETERBOROUGH.  
THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.  
On Monday, Nov. 1, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

**A PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT'S MINOR, 5040 CHANGES**

\*Being seven different 720's. Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. in G sharp.

ANNIE PARKINS ... .. Treble	HUGH BEECHY ... .. 4
HERBERT HOARE... .. 2	WALTER CROSS ... .. 5
PHYLLIS HARE ... .. 3	TOM TEBBUTT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

First peal in the method by all the band and also for the Association. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4th.

LONDON.—London County Association.—On Sunday, Sept. 19th, for evening service, at St. John's, Vassell Road, Brixton, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. C. Chappelle 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, Miss N. Shorter 3, E. J. King 4, Miss V. Shorter 5, J. Attwater 6, H. J. Gummer 7, A. Coward 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Violet Shorter.—On Sept. 26th for evening service, at St. Giles', Camberwell, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Flowers, junr., 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, A. C. V. Tasson 3, O. Chappelle 4, J. Attwater 5, G. Card 6, A. D. Barker 7, A. Coward 8.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... 1-2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4	JAMES GEORGE ... 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: MRS. HAZELDEN and MRS. PULLING.

GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE LION INN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven different callings,

*ARTHUR WASH ... 1-2	LEWIS WISEMAN ... 3-4
OLAVE BROYD ... 5-6	

Conducted by OLAVE BROYD.

Witness: W. J. SARGEANT.

\* First peal on handbells and first attempt.

HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Oct. 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS

Umpire: GEORGE THOMPSON. Witness: WILLIAM PRATCHETT.

First peal in the method to be tapped on handbells. The peal was composed by H. J. TUCKER and conducted by the performer.

MONKSEATON, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM &amp; NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE NORTH FARM,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

JAMES E. GOFTON ... 1-2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... 5-6
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... 3-4	R. ALDER GOFTON ... 7-8

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by T. T. GOFTON.

Umpire: S. W. STRATFORD.

This is the first peal of London Surprise Major on handbells by all the band and by the Association, also the first peal of London ever rung by four brothers.

HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Composed by HENRY J. TUCKER.

Witnesses: GEORGE THOMPSON, AVNSLEY ALDERTON, WILLIAM BOND, WILLIAM PRATCHETT

HENDON.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Friday, Nov. 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT 2, BELL VIEW TERRACE.

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

*CECIL RADDON ... 1-2	CHARLES H. MARTIN ... 5-6
FRANK SMITH ... 3-4	ERNEST E. PRATCHETT ... 7-8

Composed and Conducted by C. H. MARTIN.

Umpire: RICHARD BEVAN.

\* First peal on handbells. It is upwards of 20 years since the conductor rang a peal on handbells.

**"GREAT PAUL."**16½ tons, the heaviest  
bell ever cast in the  
United Kingdom.Peal of 18,027 Stedman  
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The longest peal  
ever rung.**JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,  
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## HANDBELLS

**In Sets of any number.**

**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The augmentation of Rochester Cathedral bells as a war memorial is proceeding. Two new trebles are being presented by the Dean of Rochester, Mrs. Storrs and family in memory of a son who died on active service. Two other bells are being given by Alderman Willis, and one by the ringers of the Cathedral.

At Rotherham, from the two towers of which 17 members served during the war in H.M. Forces, an ex-service peal has been rung, one lady, Miss Winifred Hague, of the V.A.D., taking part.

Fresh examples of enterprise among ringing companies are to be found this week in the peal of Erin by the Bushey band—the first in the method by all and by the association—and the peal of St. Clement's Minor at Woodston—a similar double first.

It is proposed to add two new trebles to make a peal of ten at Kettering. The scheme has been set on foot by the offer of one bell by the two sons of the late Mr. Horden, in memory of their father (who was leader of the ringers for many years). The Rector and churchwardens have given their hearty approval.

## THE LATE MR. J. SMITH, TIPTON.

Mr. John Smith, parish clerk, vergor, and towerkeeper, of St. Martin's, Tipton, Staffs, to whose death we briefly referred last week, was a native of Netherton, where he began ringing at an early age. He was secretary of the Netherton band for twenty years, and when the Worcestershire Association was founded, became first secretary of that also.

Deceased was taken ill during service on Sunday, October 17th and died on the following Tuesday.

The funeral took place on Saturday, October 23rd, and among those present to represent the deceased's old ringing colleagues were Messrs. W. Rook Small and A. Rowley (Tipton), A. Davis (Netherton), B. Gough (Coseley), J. Goodman and H. Shepherd (Dudley), J. George (Birmingham), etc. The service was conducted by the Vicar, and afterwards the bells of the Parish Church were rung half-muffled to Stedman Triples by members of the local band and visitors.

## MEMORIAL BELLS AT SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD OPENED WITH A WEEK'S RINGING.

On Sunday, October 24th, memorials of the fallen of Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts, were dedicated at St. Mary's Church by the Lord Bishop of Southwell. The memorials consist of two beautiful marble tablets affixed to the west wall of the church on either side of the tower recording the names of the 213 men of the parish who laid down their lives in the great war; an oak belfry screen and three new bells, added to the old three, and making a grand peal of six with a tenor of 15 cwt. After the screen and tablets had been dedicated the 'Last Post' was sounded by two buglers. This was followed by silent prayer, and then came the dedication of the bells, followed by a few rounds. The impressive service concluded with a touching sermon preached by the Bishop on the words of St. John xiii. 13, and following verses. After the conclusion of the service, the bells were sent on their mission to Kent Treble Bob by J. Flint 1, H. Greaves 2, T. Bettison 3, J. H. Rothwell 4, W. H. Turton 5, C. Severn 6; and a 720 was brought round. Ringing was continued before and after the afternoon and evening services, Messrs. Taylor and Oldham, of Loughborough, and J. Emson, of Killamarsh, taking part.

The memorial services were continued during the week, when ringers from Swanwick, Mansfield Woodhouse, Blackwell and Tibshelf, visited Sutton each night in the order named, the methods varying from Grandsire and Stedman Doubles to Canterbury and London Surprise.

On the following Saturday, a meeting was held under the Sheffield and East Derbyshire Association, when members were present from Alfreton, Ashover, Blackwell, Bolsover, Crich, Pleasley, Ripley, Mansfield Woodhouse, Selston, North Normanton, Swanwick, North Wingfield, and Tibshelf, with visitors from Mansfield, Warsop, Duffield, Beeston and Nottingham. After the afternoon's ringing an adjournment was made to the Church Hall for tea to which 75 sat down.—This was followed by a short meeting, presided over by the Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, of Mansfield, when votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar and church authorities for the tea and use of the bells, and to the ladies for presiding at the tables.—The Sutton ringers were elected probationary members of the association.—After service the bells were again set going to Grandsire, Manchester Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Stedman Doubles and London Surprise.

The new bells gave satisfaction to all who heard them, and it was felt that the splice could not be better, and the 'go' leaves nothing to be desired. The work has been carried out by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. in a characteristically efficient and workmanlike manner.

**HACKNEY.**—On Sunday, Sept. 12th, being Hospital Sunday at St. John's, South Hackney, 16 courses of Stedman Triples for the morning service in 48 mins.: C. A. Hughes 1, H. C. Alford 2, S. C. Freke 3, H. Franks 4, A. Turner 5, W. A. Alps (conductor) 6, J. Bullock 7, A. Riley 8.



## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY RETIRE.

The 43rd annual festival of the Durham and Newcastle Association was held in Newcastle on Saturday, Oct. 30th, and was very well attended. All the towers with bells were open for ringing, but owing to shortage of time, only St. George's, Jesmond; St. Mary's, Gateshead, and St. John's were rung during the day. Service was held in the latter church at 5 p.m., the Vicar (the Rev. A. E. Cornibeer) giving the address. The collection was given to the Parish Hostel, just being started, and amounted to £2 15s.

The members, about 70 in all, sat down to tea at the Douglas Hotel. Mr. C. L. Routledge, the president, took the chair, and was supported by the Revs. G. R. Appleton, Gateshead; A. E. Cornibeer, J. Turnbull and F. Marshall, all of St. John's, Newcastle; Mr. G. T. Potter, secretary and treasurer; Mr. Tom Metcalfe, secretary Cleveland and North Yorks Association; Messrs. G. Whitehead, W. Story, E. Ferry; R. Thompson and S. Fennick, vergers of the Cathedral; T. T. Goffon, W. H. Barber, J. W. Parker, J. G. Green, G. W. Park, and representatives from Benfieldside, Houghton-le-Spring, Beowell, Bishop Auckland, Chester-le-Street, Corbridge, Newburn, Cramlington, Darlington, Gateshead, Gosforth, Jarrow, Jesmond, Newcastle (St. John's and Cathedral), North Shields, Shildon, Sunderland (two towers), Tanfield, West Hartlepool, and Whitley Bay.

The loyal toast having been honoured, the President proposed "the Bishops and clergy of the two dioceses," and coupled the names of the Rev. G. R. Appleton, curate of Gateshead, and the Rev. A. E. Cornibeer, Vicar of St. John's, both of whom suitably replied, the latter expressing the opinion that he thought the day was not far distant when they would be able to have St. John's bells recast and the tower put in good order.

The Hon. Secretary, Mr. G. T. Potter, then read his annual report, which showed a great improvement on those of the past six years. Twenty-one peals had been rung in Stedman Cinques, Caters and Triples, Grandsire Caters, Superlative, Bristol and London Surprise Major, Kent Treble Bob Major and Bob Minor. Whitley Bay had scored the first peal of Bristol for the Association, and Houghton-le-Spring had rung its first peal, seven 720's of Bob Minor. The Sunday service sheets (Ferry's list) showed a return to pre-war form. The 8, 10 and 12-bell tower section first certificate was won by Whitley Bay with no less than 2,583 points, the largest yet totalled, and nearly all the touches in Surprise Methods. Newcastle Cathedral came second with 965 points; St. Ignatius, Sunderland, had 500; St. John's Newcastle, 282; North Shields, 257. Of the 6-bell tower section, Benfieldside again took first with 140 points, Winton second, with 106 points. Several other lesser returns were made.—The balance sheet showed a credit to the good of over £7 on the year's work.

The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report and balance sheet, congratulated Whitley Bay on their success, both in peals and in Ferry's list, and also the Houghton-le-Spring band in securing their first peal. He pointed out to the members the urgency and need of district meetings and combined practices, and closed his remarks with reminding them that he had now been ringing for 40 years, 37 of which he had held office in the association, and hoped they would relieve him by electing another president, an office he had filled for twelve years. He thanked Mr. Potter for his most excellent report, in behalf of the members, and regretted that he, too, was thinking of retiring from the office which he had held for ten years, with much acceptance to all.

The adoption being carried with acclamation, Mr. Whitehead proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring officers, which was also heartily acknowledged.

Mr. Routledge then proposed Mr. William Story as president for the ensuing year, reminding the members that his was an honoured name in the association—his brother, Mr. Robert Story having held the presidency for 22 years. He was also full of enthusiasm for ringing, and was in all ways capable of filling the office with credit to all, including himself.—This was seconded by Mr. J. W. Parker, and carried unanimously.—Mr. W. Story, in taking the chair, thanked the members for their confidence, and hoped to carry out the duties to the satisfaction of the members.

Mr. J. W. Parker asked the indulgence of the meeting to propose an especial vote of thanks to Mr. Routledge for his long services as president, and the other offices he had held in the past, and the ex-President, in replying, hoped to be just as useful to the members out of the chair as in it.—Mr. Routledge was elected to the post of hon. auditor.

Messrs. B. C. Dixon and E. E. Ferry were elected as joint secretaries in the place of Mr. G. T. Potter, retired, and the latter was also specially thanked for his long and honourable service.

The Vice-Presidents were elected as follows: Eastern district, Mr. G. S. Taylor, of Sunderland. Southern district, Mr. J. Kingdon, of Bishop Auckland. The vice-presidents of the North and West districts, Professor Potter and Mr. J. G. Green, of Chester-le-Street, to 'carry on' for another year.—Messrs. J. E. Goffon, J. W. Parker, J. G. Green, G. J. Tingley and E. Lowery, were elected hon. secretaries of the North, East, West, South and West Tyne districts respectively.

Mr. Tom Goffon was elected to fill the place of Mr. Potter (retired)

on the Central Council, and Messrs. Routledge and Story were re-elected, all for three years.

The sub-committee was next elected, Messrs. G. T. Potter, R. Richards, C. Todd and J. Stuart now forming it with the ex-officio members. The peal referees were re-elected en bloc, and the Vicar of St. John's, who, by the way, was warmly thanked for the use of his bells and service and address, was elected an hon. member.—On the motion of Mr. Story, a vote of thanks was heartily accorded to the Vicars of St. Nicholas' Cathedral, and the other churches, who had placed their bells at the disposal of the members during the day.

A large number of new members were elected at the close of the meeting, including a full new branch at Newburn, where Mr. Lowery, the secretary of the West Tyne district, has gone to reside.

The President announced that the pre-Lent meeting, 1921, would be held in Cramlington; Whit-Monday, at Darlington; July meeting, Whitley Bay, and the annual at Durham—the latter to be a whole day Saturday meeting, with luncheon at 2 p.m. instead of tea at 5, as in the past six years.

## DEDICATION OF BELLS AT BOLTON. UNIQUE CEREMONY.

Recast after the fire of November 11th last year, the bells of Holy Trinity Church, Bolton, Lancs. were dedicated and blessed on Thursday, November 4th, by the Rev. T. Taylor Evans, B.A., in the presence of a large congregation and ringers of that district. Solemn and impressive, the ceremony was moreover unique, inasmuch as it was the first instance of its orthodox performance in Lancashire in the last 200 years, the custom having been to dedicate the bells after they were hung, whereas these were dedicated on the ground in the inner porch.

The tenor bell was raised about one yard from the ground, and, after the blessing, was tolled by Henry W. Jackson, captain of the band at the above church, with a rope attached to the clapper.

Rev. Canon Elsee, M.A., President of the Lancashire Association, gave an address, to which the congregation listened with great interest. He briefly outlined the history of great bells, how the bells were first washed ceremoniously, wiped dry, signed by the sign of the cross in oil, and then censed with incense. Sponsors used to stand for them at what was called, erroneously, the baptism of the bells. The Canon also spoke of the romance of bells, and must have enlightened many to what is almost an unknown interest amongst the majority of congregations who hear the bells regularly.

## 'DOUBLE-HANDED' LONDON. FOUR BROTHERS' GREAT ACHIEVEMENT.

The Exercise will unite in congratulating the members of the talented Goffon family on their notable achievement in ringing the first peal of London Surprise on handbells by four brothers. This was achieved on Wednesday, November 3rd, and stands to the credit of the Durham and Newcastle Association.

The band commenced to practise the method last May, and made good progress, several touches, including a 1,024, being brought round. Unfortunately on July 26th, through a fatal accident to the youngest child of Mr. R. Alder Goffon, the practices were discontinued until the first week in October, when the band met twice weekly; and the peal was eventually accomplished at the first attempt. The composition, by Gabriel Lindell, is a one-part on the in-and-fifth's plan.

The first peal of London rung on handbells was by the brothers G. R., W. and E. Pye, and W. Keeble.

## A PASTMASTER OF RINGING. DEATH OF WILLIAM GREENLEAF.

The death occurred on August 26th, at Auckland, New Zealand, of Mr. William Greenleaf, who a generation ago was well known in the Exercise. Born on November 23rd, 1847, William Greenleaf was essentially one of the old school, and was not only a safe ringer, but one whose striking was always as nearly perfect as possible, for he had a remarkable ear for accuracy. For many years he was with Messrs. Mears and Stainbank as a bell tuner, and once occupied the office of Master of the College Youths. He took part in many notable performances, including the 11,111 Stedman Caters at Fulham on December 8th, 1883. Although that peal was rung nearly 40 years ago, William Greenleaf is only the fourth member of the band to be called home, those who predeceased him being George Mash, J. Murray Hayes and James Pettit.

## NEW BELLS AT BRISTOL.

On Saturday, December 11th, the dedication and opening of two new treble bells to complete the octave at St. George's, Bristol, E., will take place. The local men have had this increase in the peal before them for over thirty years, and when the proposal was again brought forward as part of a memorial scheme to the men who had fallen during the great war, it was so well supported that the above date will see it brought to a successful conclusion. The second part of the memorial includes a fine marble tablet, erected on the churchyard wall adjoining the entrance gates, and surmounted by a richly carved canopy, turrets and finial, to harmonise with the 14th century work of the church.

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**LADIES' GUILD.****SOUTHERN DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the Southern District attracted a large number of ringers to Cranleigh on October 30th, nearly 50 accepting the invitation, from Dorking, Aidershot, Guildford, Worplesdon, Pulborough, Billingshurst, Exhaurst, Godalming, Chiddingfold and Croydon. The eight bells were rung for the first time by ladies.

During the afternoon, Lady Chadwyck Healey unveiled a peal board which recorded the first peal rung in by Miss Ida Charman in the early morning of July 19th, 1919, a peace peal in which Miss Charman's father, uncle and two brothers also rang. A touch was then rung by the peal band, and following that Grandsire Triples for the service by a band of ladies only.—Service was well attended, and an address from the Rector fully appreciated. At the conclusion of tea which was served in the spacious drawing-room at the Rectory, Miss Fisher proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of his bells, and for the splendid address he had given them in church; to Mrs. Cunningham for her kind hospitality; also to Lady Chadwyck Healey for her presence with them that afternoon.—Touches were then rung on handbells at the request of the Rector.

At the business meeting, Mrs. Whittington was voted to the chair, and Mrs. P. Doick, of Pulborough, was elected an honorary member.

The Secretary reported that the meetings held during the year had been well attended, five members had rung in peals, and others were hoping to make attempts shortly.

It was the unanimous wish of the meeting that the secretary should be re-elected, but Mrs. Hazelden, in proposing Miss Hilda Mills as secretary, regretted that she was unable to accept the position for the coming year.—Miss Mills was then elected to the office.

The following were elected on the district committee: Miss Nye, Miss Avenall, Miss Fisher, and Miss B. Mills, with Miss H. Mills and Mrs. Hazelden as representatives of the general committee.

It was left to the hon. secretary to arrange the place of the next annual meeting. It is hoped to hold the December meeting at Yorktown.

The bells were lowered in peal at 8, and this concluded a very enjoyable meeting.

**WINCHESTER GUILD.**

The annual meeting of the Winchester District of the above Guild was held at St. Mary's Church, Southampton, on Saturday, Nov. 6th, by kind permission of Canon E. N. Lovett. The fine peal of eight, by Taylor and Co., were kept going to Grandsire and Stedman Triples. Bob, Treble Bob, Double Norwich, and Cambridge Surprise Major. Tea was held at the Deanery Class Room, to which Canon Lovett as usual gave all a hearty welcome, although he was unable to attend.

The business meeting was afterwards held, the chair being taken by the Rev. C. E. Matthews, vice-president of the Guild, supported by Mr. G. Williams, Master; the Rev. W. E. Colchester, treasurer; and Mr. W. Andrews, Winchester. Members were present from Alverstoke, Curdridge, Winchester, Twyford, North Stonham, Southampton, Dibden, Portsea, Gosport, Andover, Alresford, Upham, Thursley, Bishopstoke, Christchurch, and Lee-on-Solent.

Canon Braithwaite was re-elected chairman; Mr. W. H. George resigned the secretaryship through ill-health, and Mr. W. T. Tucker 71, High Street, Eastleigh, was elected district secretary; Mr. G. Smith was re-elected hon. auditor; Mr. W. Andrews was re-elected on the Central Committee; and Mr. Faithfull, Southampton, was also elected to serve on that body.

Meetings will be held at Alton in February; Sheffield English in May (2nd Saturday), and Upham last Saturday in August. The annual meeting at Winchester is to be held on Nov. 5th, 1921.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rector for the use of the bells and room for meetings.

**SHANKLIN BELLS RESTORED.**

The musical peal of eight at St. Saviour's-on-the-Cliff at Shanklin, I.W., have just been rehung, and the frame tightened by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and on October 28th they were given a trial trip, a large gathering of ringers being present, including Messrs. H. Burton and J. B. Williamson, of Ventnor; W. Pain, F. Chaffey, G. Wilkins and E. Simmonds, of Brading; W. Chambers, W. Johnson and W. Upton, of Newport, the local ringers, and Messrs. W. Hazell and E. H. King, of the Whitechapel Foundry. The Shanklin men first tried the bells in rounds, after which touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung, in which two of the local ringers took part. The Vicar and his wife paid a visit to the belfry during the evening, and they much appreciated a well-struck touch of Grandsire Triples, on handbells, by: W. Hazell (conductor) 1-2, H. Barton 3-4, J. B. Williamson 5-6, E. H. King 7-8. The 'go' of Shanklin bells is now very different to that on the occasion of the last visit paid to the tower by a party from Newport, and everyone present was delighted with the great transformation from slavery to ease, especially on the back four bells.

**NOTICES.**

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THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).—The 283rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at the London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Tickets, 8/6 each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, R. T. Hibbert, E. Horrex, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, W. J. Kemp, A. R. Macdonald, A. S. Miller, H. R. Newton, A. E. Noakes, W. H. Pasmore, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, R. Sanders, A. Walker, H. J. Walton, C. F. Winney, or W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4. Towers open for ringing will be St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, 3 to 5.30 p.m.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at SS. Phillip and Jacob's, Bristol, on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock in the schoolroom. Business meeting to follow.—P. C. Williams, Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Midsomer Norton Branch.—The postponed Leigh-upon-Mendip meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 13th.—I. B. Holmyard, Hon. Sec.

ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Quarterly meeting at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, on Saturday, Nov. 13th.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The November meeting will be held at Sheffield Cathedral on Saturday 13th. Bells (12) open at 3 o'clock. Short service in the Cathedral at 5 o'clock, with an address by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield. As this meeting will give us an introduction to Archdeacon Lisle Carr and Bishop Heddy Burrows, a full attendance is very desirable.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Broxbourne and Hoddesdon on Nov. 13th, when the bells of both towers will be open during the afternoon and evening. Tea at 'The Welcome' at 5 o'clock, 1/-; business meeting after. All will be heartily welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting afterwards.—F. R. Bacon, District Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at St. Francis Xavier's, on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Bells ready 4.30. Meeting 6.30.—Walter Hughes.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Pendle-



bury, on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Bells at 4. Meeting at 7 p.m.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Nutfield on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Bells available 3 to 9 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 p.m. All ringers cordially invited.—H. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

**SALOP GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Shifnal on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Ringing 2 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m., 1/6.—Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec., Shrewsbury.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on Nov. 30th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 25th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 16th (election of officers). \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—A meeting of the North and East district will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 5. Tea at 5.30; business meeting to follow. All requiring tea should advise me by the 17th inst. The charge for same will be 1/6.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Basingstoke on Saturday, Nov. 20th. St. Michael's tower open at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45 to be followed by the annual business meeting. 6d. allowed for tea to all members informing me not later than 16th.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. District Sec., Deane Rectory, Overton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Accrington on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society) (Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 20th, at St. Alfege, Greenwich. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., business meeting at 6 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James', Haslingdon on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells ready 5.30. Meeting at 7. Good attendance requested.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The Annual Festival will be held on Saturday, November 20th, at Guildford. The Guild Service in Holy Trinity Church at 4.15. Preacher, Rev. A. H. Fletcher, rector of Merrow. The offertory will be for the Guild Memorial to the brethren fallen in the Great War. Tea at 5 o'clock, at Brett's Restaurant, followed by the annual meeting and social. The chair will be taken by Alderman G. W. Franks, Mayor of Guildford, supported by the Rev. Canon Kirwan, R.D.; Canon Coleridge, Vicar of Crowthorne; Canon Cooke - Yarborough; Rev. Sir J. C. W. Herschel (Gen. Sec.), and other gentlemen. The bells of Holy Trinity (8) and S. Nicolas (10) will be available from 3 till 4. At 4 o'clock a company selected by the Ringing Master will ring the Service touch.—John J. Jones, Hon. Sec., 3, Bridge Street, Guildford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Whitworth on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting 6.30. Subscriptions are now due.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Deane (St. Mary) on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells available 3.30. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Newbury Branch.—The annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at Newbury on Saturday, Nov. 20th, in St. Nicholas' Parish Room. Evensong 4.30. Tea and business 5 p.m.—E. M. Thorp, Hon. Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Mersham on Saturday, Nov. 20th, for combined practice in Stedman principle. Bells available from 3 o'clock. It is hoped that members will avail themselves of this special opportunity to learn Stedman.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wickwar on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock. Will those requiring tea please notify me not later than Nov. 16th?—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western Division.—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Bishop's Stortford, on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Short service 5 p.m., followed by tea and business at the Chequer's Hotel.—F. Dench, Hon. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—A meeting will be held at Isham, Northants, on Nov. 20th. Bells available at 2.30. Service at 4. Tea will be provided at 4.30, but the catering will be considerably simplified if all those who possibly can would inform Mr. W. Wilson, The Pines, Isham, Kettering, of their intention of being present. All ringers and friends welcome.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Halsted on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells available from 2.30. Short service with address 4.30. Tea will be provided in Co-operative Hall (opposite railway station) for all those who send me their names not later than Monday, Nov. 22nd. Members are requested to be present as the District officers for the ensuing year will be elected.—B. Redgwell, District Sec., Rayne, near Braintree.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Coppull, near Chorley, on Nov. 27th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Springfield on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting in the Vestry Hall. Note: Chelmsford Tower (St. Mary's) will also be open from 7.30 until 9 p.m. Will all members intending to be present please notify me by Nov. 27th?—P. Timson, District Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Clifton Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Bells open from 2.30. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Will all those requiring tea please let me hear not later than Saturday, Nov. 27th?—Edith Smith, 12, Auburn Road, Redland, Bristol.



**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL.**—A tea and social will be held at St. Thomas' Church, Bristol, on Nov. 27th. Ringing at St. Mary's, Redcliffe, 1.30 to 5. Announcement later. Ringers from distant places heartily welcomed. Tickets 1/6. Tea 5 o'clock. — Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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#### LATE NOTICE.

**BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—A meeting of the above Branch will be held at Curry Ryel on Saturday, Nov. 20th.—S. Farrant, Hon. Local Sec., North Street, Martock.

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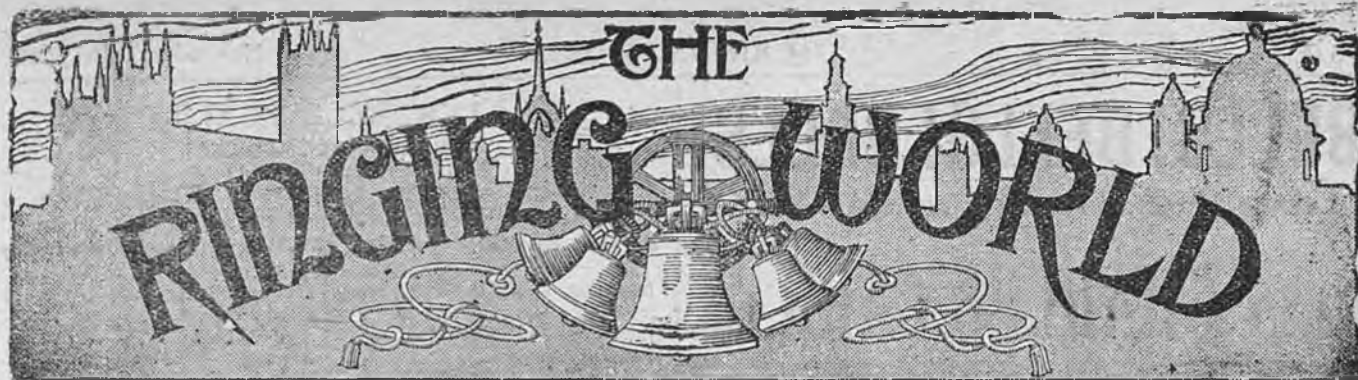
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## THE CLERGY AND THE BELFRY.

In proposing the toast of 'The Church' at the College Youths banquet on Saturday, the Master made an appeal to the clergy generally to take up change ringing, and to join one or other of the societies which exist for the promotion of the art. The appeal was well-timed, for the company included many influential clergy who, if they may be themselves past the age and without the leisure to take up practical ringing, can nevertheless pass on the suggestion to their assistants and to others with whom they come in contact. There is a general desire among ringers to see a far greater number of clergy coming into the belfry to share with them the duties and pleasures of bell ringing. The advantages would be found not all on one side, for the clergy would find the benefit from physical exercise and interest in the fascinating hobby, as well as having the satisfaction of knowing that they are encouraging the ringers by their presence and doing their part in bringing about the further recognition of the ringers as church workers.

Happily the status of the ringer is becoming much more widely recognised, and when we hear from the lips of such an eminent divine as Bishop Ryle that during his occupancy of such honoured and important offices as the Bishoprics of Exeter and Winchester, he made it one of his first duties to inquire wherever he visited into the state of the bells and the efficiency of the ringers, we realise that the time has gone by when the ringer's office is of no account in the service of Church. At the same time, while we can count to-day many clergy in the ranks of the practical ringers, there is room for many more, and in this, perhaps, the Central Council's circular, which is to go out to incumbents as well as Bishops and Archdeacons, may do something to help the matter forward.

That the majority of the clergy appreciate the ringers' work is now unquestioned, while the public also, on occasions of local or national importance, look to the ringers to interpret through the bells the feelings that are uppermost in the human heart. At that memorable ceremony at Westminster Abbey last week, when the Unknown British Warrior was laid to rest with all the honours a nation could accord, the muffled bells gave that final touch to the proceedings which nothing else could give. The Dean of Westminster recalled it on Saturday when he said that on that day, full charged with moving and affecting incidents, nothing stirred the emotions more than when, at the moment the King left the Abbey by the west door, the bells sent out their muffled music. It is on such occasions as this that the bells express the feelings of the people, and when the people recognise the part the bells play in our national life.



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## TEN BELL PEALS.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20½ cwt.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT ... .. Treble	HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 6
REGINALD BROUGH ... .. 2	DAVID WRIGHT ... .. 7
JAMES W. TRAPPIST ... .. 3	AMOS W. CLARK ... .. 8
THOMAS TALBOT ... .. 4	ALFRED J. TRAPPIST ... .. 9
CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD 5	WILLIAM GROVES ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by D. WRIGHT.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Royal.

READING, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Nov. 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5093 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

*ALBERT SWERTZER ... .. Treble	ALFRED WATMORE ... .. 6
CHARLES GILES ... .. 2	ARTHUR WIGGINS ... .. 7
AMBROSE OSBORNE ... .. 3	JOHN SWAIN ... .. 8
RICHARD T. HIBBERT ... .. 4	FRANK HOPGOOD ... .. 9
WALTER A. WEBB ... .. 5	REUBEN SAWYER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK HOPGOOD.

This peal was rung to celebrate the 82nd birthday of Mr. W. Newell, 'father' of change ringing in Reading. The peal was composed 24 years ago and is now rung for the first time. \* First peal and first attempt.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LLANBRADACH.  
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Oct. 3, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Ten different callings, 4, 6 and 8 covering. Tenor 11 cwt.

*MISS IVY WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	STANLEY VOYZEY ... .. 5
HARROLD CASSELL ... .. 2	WILLIAM BURGESS ... .. 6
JACK GWILLYM ... .. 3	GEORGE COOK ... .. 7
FRANK STEVENS ... .. 4	JOSEPH WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE COOK.

\* First peal. Rung with the bells half-muffled on the Dedication of the War Memorial to the fallen of the above parish, two of whom were ringers of the tower.

HEATHFIELD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 11 cwt.

PERCY MARCHANT ... .. Treble	ALBERT HOBDEN ... .. 5
ARTHUR CAUSLEY ... .. 2	JAMES A. HART ... .. 6
WILFRED BOOTH ... .. 3	ALBERT REED ... .. 7
ALFRED J. PIERPOINT ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. BARROW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES A. HART.

First peal of Triples on the bells, which have recently been increased from 6 to 8. The ringers of 1, 2, 4 and 6 hail from Uckfield, 5 and 7 from Waldron, 3rd and tenor belong to local band.

CHISWICK.  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.  
On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

FRANK V. SINKINS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... .. 5
HENRY G. MILES ... .. 2	WILLIAM E. JUDD ... .. 6
ARTHUR CUTMORE ... .. 3	WILLIAM E. GARRARD ... .. 7
ROBERT HOLLOWAY ... .. 4	*A. F. MADDSLEY TUKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. E. GARRARD.

\* First peal.



## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. Treble	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 6
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 7
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. S. WILDE. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## CAVERSHAM, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(St. Peter's Society.)

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BROOKS' VARIATION.

AMBROSE W. OSBORNE ... Treble	JOSEPH HANDS ... .. 5
MISS STELLA DAVIS ... .. 2	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ... 6
GEORGE ESSEN ... .. 3	RICHARD T. HIBBERT ... 7
WILLIAM HIBBERT ... .. 4	HENRY SIMMONDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by R. T. HIBBERT.

## IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

HARRY GAYTON ... .. Treble	JAMES WARD ... .. 5
ANDERSON Y. TYLER ... .. 2	JAMES HOUGHTON ... .. 6
CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. 3	JOHN J. MAWBY ... .. 7
EDWARD J. HOBBS ... .. 4	WALTER PERKINS, ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late ERNEST PYE. Conducted by W. PERKINS.

Arranged for Messrs. Gayton, Clarke and Hobbs, who hail from Harrold, Bedford and Husbome Crawley respectively.

## OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*JONATHAN WHEWELL ... Treble	WILLIAM RILEY ... .. 5
ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH ... 2	JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... 6
JAMES SHAW ... .. 3	*WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. 7
ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... .. 4	BEN KNIGHTS ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by B. KNIGHTS.

\* First peal in the method. This peal was arranged for W. Taylor and B. Knights, who hail from Penwortham, Preston. A. Tomlinson hails from Blackburn.

## HIGHGATE, N.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Oct. 30, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANNE, BROOKFIELD,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*ERNEST PRYOR ... .. Treble	CHARLES PRYOR ... .. 5
†MISS KITTY SMITH ... .. 2	THOMAS NEWMAN ... .. 6
ERNEST BONFIELD ... .. 3	RICHARD BEVAN ... .. 7
BENJAMIN FOSKETT ... .. 4	FRANK SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN. Conducted by FRANK SMITH.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal by the daughter of the conductor, and the first lady to ring a peal upon these bells.

A great many peals were rung to commemorate Armistice Day, but the reports have, unfortunately, to be held over on account of the pressure on our space.

## HYDE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On All Saints' Day, Nov. 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6008 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt. 0 qr. 11 lb. in E.

WILLIAM SHAW ... .. Treble	*JOHN STOPFORD ... .. 5
JAMES SHAW ... .. 2	HARRY NORGROVE ... .. 6
JOHN BRIERLEY ... .. 3	TOM WILDE ... .. 7
ARTHUR HAUGHTON ... .. 4	ALBERT HOUGH ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. GARRARD.

Conducted by A. HOUGH.

\* First peal away from treble. First peal on the bells since being recast and rehung in a new iron frame by Taylors.

## WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION (F PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

THOMAS TAYLOR ... .. Treble	FREDERICK BENDALL ... .. 5
WILLIAM PEART ... .. 2	ELIJAH PAGETT ... .. 6
*ARTHUR LOACH ... .. 3	ALBERT MILLS ... .. 7
GEORGE GRIFFITHS ... .. 4	WALTER REYNOLDS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT MILLS.

\* First peal. Rung for the Dedication Festival of All Saints. It was also the first peal on the bells since they were recast and rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

## OVERSEAL.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,\*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

A. JACKSON ... .. Treble	J. COTTON ... .. 5
H. CARTER ... .. 2	L. FREEMAN ... .. 6
W. BROOKER ... .. 3	W. CLAYFIELD ... .. 7
W. BOSWORTH ... .. 4	H. SOUTHERD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. CLAYFIELD.

This is the first peal on the bells. First attempt by all members except conductor. These bells were dedicated on Dec. 13th last, and all the above ringers except the 7th have learnt the art since that date.

## DEPTFORD KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lb.

*REGINALD D. MARSHALL ... Treble	THOMAS A. EASTERBURY ... 5
EDWIN J. PANNETT ... .. 2	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 6
*GEORGE W. HARRIS ... .. 3	ERNEST B. CROWDER ... .. 7
*RICHARD A. J. RICHES ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. FRITCHARD.

Conducted by W. J. JEFFRIES.

\* First peal of Bob Major. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Harris and Riches. The ringers of 1st, 3rd, 4th and 6th, hail from St. Nicholas, Deptford, the remainder are of St. John's.

## BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,

(THE BUSHEY SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Nov. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF ERIN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

JOSEPH J. ALLEN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD ... 5
PERCY L. PARSLAW ... .. 2	WILLIAM SEBLEY ... .. 6
WILLIAM C. L. PRIOR ... .. 3	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... 7
EDWARD P. ASHEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM I. OAKLEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Conducted by M. F. R. HIBBERT.

First peal in the method on the bells, by all the band, and by the Association.

LONDON, W.C.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Nov. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

WASHBROOK'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.	
MORACE BELCHER ... .. Treble	HAROLD W. CLARK ... .. 5
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 2	CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 6
ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 3	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. NEDDS ... .. 4	DALBY HODGSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

LONG ASHTON, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' REVERSED. Tenor 31 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb.	
MRS. R. J. WILKINS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. 5
RAYMOND JOHN WILKINS ... 2	JOHN A. BURFORD ... .. 6
PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... .. 3	GEORGE CONDICK, JUN. ... 7
ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. 4	HENRY BRIDLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by PERCIVAL W. CAVE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. R. J. Wilkins and also to celebrate the coming of age of Mr. A. J. Burford, eldest son of the ringer of the 6th. First peal as conductor.

EPSOM, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLY'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 11½ cwt.	
MRS. R. WHITTINGTON ... Treble	*MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... .. 5
MRS. J. THOMAS ... .. 2	FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 6
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 3	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 7
MRS. C. HAZELDEN ... .. 4	ROBERT WHITTINGTON ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\* First peal in the method on tower bells. This is the first peal ever accomplished on tower bells by a band composed of four married couples. Mrs. Thomas was elected a member previous to starting for the peal.

WHISTON, ROTHERHAM, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.	
*ERNEST KETTELL, ex-R.E. Treble	*C. R. WRIGHT, ex-R.F.A. 5
MISS W. M. HAGUE, ex-V.A.D. 2	A. HAGUE, ex-R.A.M.C. ... 6
J. E. L. COCKEY, ex-Y. & L. 3	C. RYDER, ex-K.O.Y.L.I. ... 7
SIDNEY BRIGGS, ex-N.F. ... 4	GEO. OAKES, ex-R.N. ... Tenor

Conducted by A. HAGUE.

\* First peal. First ex-service peal in the county. With the exception of the ringer of the 3rd, the whole of the above are members of the Rotherham Parish Church.

SILVERDALE, STAFFS.  
THE STOKE-ON-TRENT, ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.	
*EDWIN TONYOUGH ... .. Treble	WILLIAM MYATT ... .. 5
THOMAS BIRCH ... .. 2	*TOM RHODES ... .. 6
WILLIAM FITCHFORD ... .. 3	JOHN MORLEY ... .. 7
LIEUT. WILLIAM WRIGHT ... 4	HENRY MYATT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM FITCHFORD.

Rung as a welcome home and birthday peal to Lieut. W. Wright, of the R.A.F., also in honour of the birth of a daughter to the ringer of the 6th. The band thanks Messrs. W. Fitchford (their old instructor) and J. Morley (of Wolstanton) for their assistance. \* First peal.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.	
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... Treble	HENRY STALHAM ... .. 5
WALTER FRANKS ... .. 2	CHARLES W. PLAYER ... .. 6
CHARLES TRIRE ... .. 3	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. 7
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 4	FREDERICK LAMBERT ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

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RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 6120 CHANGES;

Tenor 22 cwt. in E flat.	
JAMES M. NICKERSON ... Treble	FRED STUBBS ... .. 5
LEONARD J. WYMAN ... .. 2	FRANK KIRK ... .. 6
*WILLIAM J. GILBERT ... 3	*LESLIE GROOM ... .. 7
† DANIEL REDHEAD ... .. 4	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... Tenor

Composed by C. CHARGE. Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. † First peal with a bob bell. First peal in the method as conductor.

RAINFORD, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.	
THOMAS W. GILMOUR ... Treble	HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 5
JAMES W. BELL ... .. 2	JAMES MARTIN ... .. 6
GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 3	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS ... 7
THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN. ... 4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HERBERT LUDKIN. Conducted by G. R. NEWTON.

First peal in the method on the bells. The band desires to thank the Vicar for his permission to ring, and Mr. J. Hall (tower-keeper) or having everything in readiness.

BOCKING, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.	
REGINALD C. THRIFT ... Treble	HENRY W. KIRTON ... .. 5
*CYRIL PEASE ... .. 2	HIRZEL EDWARDS ... .. 6
PERCY TIMSON ... .. 3	JOSEPH ROOTE ... .. 7
ARTHUR EDWARDS ... .. 4	ARTHUR HEAD ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by A. EDWARDS.

\* First peal. First peal of Oxford Treble Bob on the bells, and by all except the conductor.

BARKING, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 22½ cwt.	
CALEB FENN ... .. Treble	ROWLAND FENN ... .. 5
† GEORGE W. JACKSON ... .. 2	GEORGE W. FAULKNER ... 6
† ARTHUR J. WORBOYS ... .. 3	GEORGE COTTON ... .. 7
ARTHUR H. HARRISON ... 4	*HARRY HOLGATE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CALEB FENN.

\* First peal. † First peal of Stedman.

RINGMER, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb.	
OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. Treble	GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ... .. 6
ARTHUR H. WHITE ... .. 3	ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 7
CHARLES PALMER ... .. 4	KEITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late H. DAINS. Conducted by O. SIPPETTS.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

GREAT MUNDEN, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicolas,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Duke of York, Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Oxford  
and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

JOHN PATMORE ... .. Treble	*SIDNEY CARTER ... .. 4
HENRY WALLACE ... .. 2	NATHAN PATMORE ... .. 5
ERNEST A. OVERALL ... .. 3	BARNARD PATMORE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNARD PATMORE.

\* First peal inside.

LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 28, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Duke of York, Oxford  
and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN PATMORE ... .. Treble	ERNEST A. OVERALL ... .. 4
NATHAN PATMORE ... .. 2	BARNARD PATMORE ... .. 5
SIDNEY CARTER ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CARTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. CARTER.

KNIGHTON, LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Nov. 2nd, 1920, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

42 six score, with 10 different callings. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILFRED BROTHWELL ... Treble	JAMES WILSON ... .. 3
HENRY FARMER ... .. 2	*GEORGE STRAW ... .. 4
WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by W. H. CLARKE.

\* First peal. All are Sunday service ringers at the above church.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
In the Belfry of St. Margaret's Church,

**A PEAL OF STEEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor size 18 in G.

JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. 3-4	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 7-8

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

THE CUSTODY OF BELLS.

The quarterly meeting of the Northern District of the Hertford Association was held at Elichin on Saturday, 13th November. Ringers from Eastbourne, Tottenham, Barnet, Braughing, Dunstable, Stevenage, Baldock, and the local band, assembled, and touches at Bob Major, followed by Grandsire Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major, Steedman Triples, Double Norwich Court Bob, and Superlative Surprise were rung. The ringing and striking were good, and showed keenness towards progress, especially among those who rang their first touch of Superlative. The President of the Middlesex Association, Mr. A. T. King, honoured the meeting with his presence, and took part in the ringing. Service, which was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. L. H. Ashby), was followed by tea and meeting, at the restaurant, over which the Vicar presided.

The Secretary remarked that according to the leading article in the 'Ringing World' of the 5th inst., the custody of the bells was invested with the ringers themselves, but this the Vicar took up, claiming the right of stewardship over the bells as part of the furniture of the church.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for conducting the service presiding over the meeting and for the use of the bells, was carried unanimously.—Further ringing concluded a very enjoyable time, not soon to be forgotten.

[We think there has been some misconception placed upon the article referred to, as it was never intended to convey that the ultimate responsibility for the tower and bells does not rest with the Church authorities.—Ed. 'R.W.']

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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

Eighty-three next February, Mr. Ted Horrex was one of the company at the College Youths' banquet. He has missed only one of these functions—either in their present form or on the smaller scale of half a century ago—since he came to London in the early sixties.

The Exercise has another hale and hearty veteran in Mr. William Rock Small, of Tipton, who, on his 81st birthday last Friday, rang a peal of Stedman Triples.

Recently we quoted a letter which appeared in 'The Kent Mercury,' urging that the bells of St. Peter's Church, Brockley, which have been silent for many years, should be used again. There follows—of course—the usual protest by objectors to any such action being taken. Their chief concern seems to be their own Sabbath rest, which, maybe, they spend on tennis or golf, or even, perhaps, dancing.

A peal of Grandsire Caters was rung on Armistice Day at All Saints' Worcester, where the only peal by the Worcestershire Association on Armistice Day, 1918, was rung. In the peal last week were two young ringers, who put up a most creditable performance. The ringer of the treble had never rung in changes on ten bells before, and the ringer of the sixth had only rung one or two short touches of Caters previously.

A meeting of the Eastern Division of the Yorkshire Association at Goole brought together a gathering of 41 ringers. Four new members were elected, and Selby provisionally chosen for the next meeting. The two bells at West Leake have been recast and rehung by Sir Arthur Ernest Blake, K.B.E., and his wife, in commemoration of their silver wedding. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

On Armistice Day three new bells were dedicated at Exhull, near Coventry, as a memorial to the 33 men of the parish who fell in the war. The work was carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank and the tower now contains a light ring of six, (tenor 6½ cwt).

This week the ancient ringers' Guild, of St. Stephen's, Bristol, celebrates its 500th anniversary.

On Sunday-week, two new trebles, making a peal of eight, were dedicated at Kinver, Staffs. A new iron frame on steel girders has been put in, and the old six rehung in new fittings by the Whitechapel Foundry. Last Saturday a peal of Stedman Triples was rung on the bells.

George A. Wightman, and not George E., was the ringer of the 3rd in the peal at Grandisburgh, published last week.

### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

#### GRANT FOR ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

At a meeting of the Central Committee of the Kent Association, at Chatham on Nov. 13th, it was decided to hold the annual meeting next year on Easter Monday at St. Nicholas, Deptford.

A grant of £5 from the Belfry Repairs Fund was made towards the recasting of the third bell at Rochester Cathedral, for which the local ringers had made themselves responsible. Considerable surprise was expressed that the Dean and Chapter of Rochester should have allowed the contract to be increased to £800 or £900 instead of the original estimate of only £300 or so.

A grant of £2 was also made to Wormshill (four bells only), on condition that one or two more bells be added.

A resolution was passed to the effect that in order to save postage and secretarial labour, and also, if possible, to increase the circulation of 'The Ringing World,' notices of district meetings will be announced only in the pages of 'The Ringing World.'

### WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

#### YORKTOWN DISTRICT MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Yorktown district of the above Guild was held at St. Mary's, Otlands Park, on Saturday, Nov. 6th. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Treble Bow Major were rung during the day. Service was held, at which the Rector (the Rev. J. de Verd Leigh) officiated, and the Rev. F. S. Colson (curate) gave the address, which was very much appreciated. Tea took place at the Working Men's Institute, 42 sitting down, representing Sandhurst, Bagshot, Cherissey, Guildford, Walton, Hersham, Aldershot, Yorktown, and the local band.

Owing to a prior engagement the Rector was unable to preside at the business meeting, and at the conclusion of tea, therefore, a hearty vote of thanks for the use of the bells and also for officiating at the service was accorded him.—The Rector, in reply, said it gave him great pleasure to do anything he could for ringers, as they were churchworkers.

The Rev. F. S. Colson was then voted to the chair, and the following officers were re-elected: Mr. W. Shepherd, Ringing Master. Mr. W. A. Woodrow, representative on Central Committee. Mr. G. Gasson, auditor; Mr. G. Miles, secretary; and Mr. F. J. Shepherd, assistant secretary. Mr. H. Chaffey was elected representative in place of Mr. F. J. Shepherd, who unfortunately was unable to give the time required. Ten new members were elected, including one hon. member.

Meetings will be held at Egham in March; Farnborough in May; Molesey in August; and the annual at Bagshot.



## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.

### 283rd ANNIVERSARY BANQUET.

#### DEAN OF WESTMINSTER AND BELLS.

One of the most representative gatherings of ringers that has ever assembled to celebrate the anniversary of the Ancient Society of College Youths, met at the still more ancient London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, on Saturday last, when the 283rd anniversary of the foundation of the society was commemorated. There was ringing during the afternoon at the famous old Churches of St. Michael's Cornhill, and St. Magnus the Martyr, London Bridge—two of the churches, by the way, which come within the Commission's scheme for demolition—and visiting ringers gathered in goodly numbers to take part in the touches. The party that gathered round the festive board at the London Tavern—a sixteenth-century hostelry that escaped the ravages of the Great Fire—numbered about 160, who enjoyed a sumptuous and excellently served repast. The chair was taken by the Master, Mr. C. H. Horton, and the company was honoured in having as its chief guest, the Rt. Rev. the Dean of Westminster, Dr. Ryle, who before coming to the Abbey, was Bishop of Exeter, and afterwards of Winchester. At the top table also were the Revs. Prebendary Isaacs (Vicar of Cripplegate), J. H. J. Ellison (Rector of Cornhill), W. Pennington Bickford (Rector of St. Clement Danes), — Simpson (Rector of Stepney), Canon G. F. Coleridge (Rector of Crowshorn), C. W. O. Jenkyn, M.C. (Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild), and E. L. Edwards (hon. secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild), Mr. E. F. Knapp-Fisher (chapter clerk of Westminster Abbey), Mr. Stainer (son of the late Sir John Stainer), Mr. E. A. Young (London County Association), Mr. Skinner (Dean's verger, St. Paul's Cathedral), and Mr. W. T. Cockerill (hon. secretary of the College Youths). The vice-chairman was Mr. Albert A. Hughes (treasurer of the society), and among the general company were Messrs. Chaffis Winney and Walter Prime (trustees), Alan R. Macdonald (steward), E. Horrex (the 'father' of the society), J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, W. E. Garrard, R. T. Hilbert (hon. secretary of the Oxford Diocesan Guild), W. J. Kemp, A. S. Miller, H. R. Newton, A. E. Nokes, W. H. Pasmore, R. Sanders, and A. Walker (Birmingham), who, with the officials formed the Dinner Committee; Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wilkins and Mr. G. Condie (Bristol), Mr. J. Carter and Mr. A. P. Smith (hon. secretary St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham), Messrs. E. H. Lewis (Cambridge University Guild), C. H. Howard (Master), and W. J. Nevard (District Master of the Essex Association), W. D. Smith (Eastbourne), W. J. Judd and P. Judd (Southend), G. Bowen (Deyon Guild), F. Johnston (Croydon Foundry), C. Dean (hon. secretary Surrey Association), J. A. Trollope (Royal Cumberland Youths), J. E. Davis (one of the last of the ringing 'veterans' to be demolished), G. N. Price, G. R. Fardon, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Hairs, Messrs. G. F. Hoad (Reigate), W. Truss (Marlow), J. Evans (Beaconsfield), T. Groombridge (Chislehurst), J. B. Williamson (Chalfont), and other members of the society within a wide radius.

The Master submitted the loyal toast, which was honoured with enthusiasm.

#### THE CHURCH.

Afterwards he proposed 'The Church.' One of the great reasons for honouring that toast, he said, was that if it were not for the Church, that society, probably, would never have been formed, for the very simple reason that there would be very little use for such a society in civic life. The Church, he continued, was the great cornerstone; indeed, it was the pillar of the Empire (applause); it might be said it was a pillar on which the sun never set, and they as church-workers, although perhaps only in a small way, must give their greatest support in upholding its dignity. It was to the Church that people turned in time of sorrow, for prayers and for advice; it was to the Church they turned in times of joy, for the purpose of thanksgiving on a national occasion and sometimes even on family occasions. It was the Church which announced by its bells as well as by its services the death of kings and statesmen, and even the humble parishioner, it was the Church through its bells that announced the joyful tidings of great victories; it was through the Church that they gave thanksgiving for fine harvests, or offered their prayers for those who were sick. They as ringers took their part in all these things, whether in muffled ringing or in joyful ringing, and he thought he might be pardoned for expressing pride in the fact that the Church had never appealed in vain to that society for a band of ringers to help in those services from time to time. He had made, as Master several appeals for ringers for special occasions, both Sundays and week-days, and even though it sometimes meant loss of time at work, he had always had sufficient and often more than sufficient men. They were very grateful to the clergy of the London churches for their courtesy in allowing them the use of the bells for practice; for the nice way in which the bells and belfries were kept. There was one thing he would particularly like to see, and he hoped the clergy who were present would pass it along to their friends, that it would be

a big help to the ringers if more of the clergy could spare time to learn change ringing and become members of that or some other society (applause). That evening they were honoured by the presence of several of the City clergy, and he appealed to them and to all those present to do their utmost to help in any reasonable scheme which might be put forward to save the nineteen threatened City churches (applause). These churches had been handed down to them as precious relics and heirlooms, and they should take care to hand them down to future generations (applause). These churches were the homes of the City of London, and he appealed strongly to them all to give their hearty support to any reasonable scheme brought forward to save these churches (applause). If it were a matter of money, surely in that wealthy city there were business men capable of finding it and saving those magnificent specimens of the work of past generations (hear, hear). He had to couple with the toast the name of the Dean of Westminster, Dr. Ryle (applause). It needed no words of his (the Master's) to say how welcome the Dean was, among them, and the College Youths were proud to think he had honoured them by coming there to give them his support. The great work the Dean had done and was doing at the Abbey was well known to them all. The Abbey was the shrine and Mecca of Englishmen, and it occupied in their hearts a place unequalled by anything else. The restoration of the peal of bells and the work that was being done to put this magnificent fabric in repair was largely owing to the interest and activity of Dr. Ryle, and he could only hope the Dean would be spared for many years to continue that good work, and that he would be able to attend the annual banquet of the College Youths (applause).

The toast was drunk with great cordiality.

#### THE DEAN'S PROBLEM.

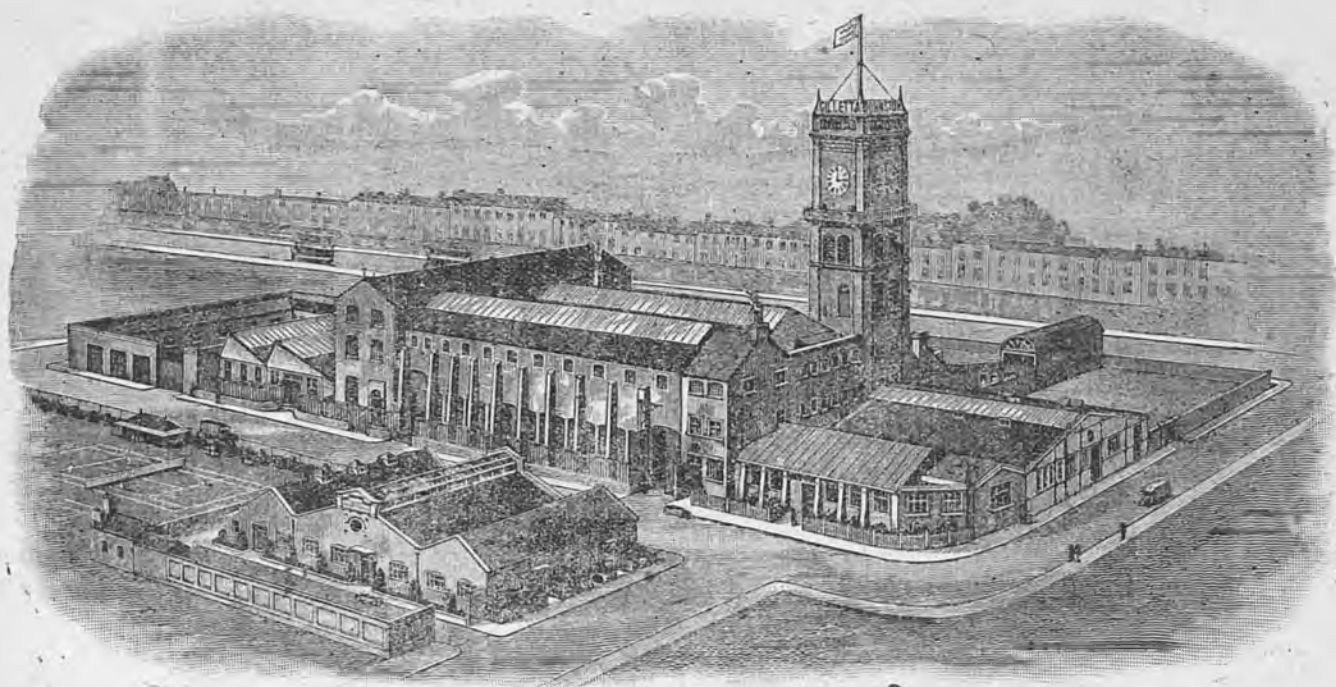
The Dean of Westminster, who, on rising to respond, was received with cheers, said: I count myself highly privileged to be called upon to respond to the toast which you have drunk with so kindly, warm-hearted a welcome. I count it a privilege to be standing here amongst you on this occasion of your banquet, and thank you, Master, for the extraordinarily generous words which you have used in reference to the old Abbey. I know that I am privileged to speak to a roomful of men—Youths, I suppose. I should call them—who are greatly interested in the welfare of bell ringing throughout the country, and who, naturally, view with sympathy and kindness the interests of our old Church. I used, as a boy, to wonder which came first, the bells or the tower. That is a problem which I commend to you, because I have not been able to answer it myself. I am getting an old man, but I am even now not quite sure which came first, the bells or the tower. Was the tower made for the bells, or were the bells made for the tower? I sometimes think that the tower was made first, and that, in the past, when the church was very weak, the tower was used as a place of refuge, so that the people might repair to it to defend themselves against invaders and bandits. In later years, when bell ringing had become an art, everyone said, 'There is the place for the bells, in the tower.' If that were so, the tower came first, and the bells were added afterwards. But certainly in the case of a very large number of the church towers with which I have been acquainted since I was a boy, I should say that the towers were built after the bells and the art of bell ringing had become known. When I go back in memory to recall the great towers of the Eastern Counties, of Suffolk and of Norfolk (applause), I know you will not find many towers to surpass them in beauty and strength, and they carry their bells well. I believe many of them were built in the fifteenth century, and that they were built with the idea that they would have to support the bells that were rung at times of happiness, and also as sounds of warning and of sadness; and they have done so for five centuries. That being so, I think it is very likely historically the case that a large number of our finest towers in England were erected for the purpose of holding a good peal of bells (applause). As I have wandered about the country, whenever I have come to a good church tower, my first question has always been, 'How many bells have you there?' Sometimes there has been a needlessly small number, and I have always said, 'Are you going to add to them?' I have always found the people really keen to have, if possible, eight bells where there were only six. People were really dead keen to try to secure the addition of two more bells, and that, I am sure, is the right spirit.

#### A DUTY FOR THE CLERGY.

I would fain hope that my brother Bishops and Archdeacons and the leading Church authorities will, as they go up and down in their parishes, always make it a duty to inquire how the bells are being cared for (hear, hear), whether the ringers are a good team; whether the belfry is in proper order; whether, in a word, the tower, the peal of bells and the ringers are worthy of the best traditions of the Church (applause). Sometimes, I do not think in these days, but the times have been, when the Church neglected the subject of the bells and bell ringing. In these days I think a happy chance has passed over the minds and feelings of the Church and the Church authorities, and they welcome the formation of a good band of bell ringers. I am glad to know that lady bell ringers are not unknown. I do not know how long ago it is since ladies began to ring, but I

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remember, when I was Bishop of Exeter, twenty years ago, there was one exceedingly good lady bell ringer. I think she was the first in that part of Devonshire, and there have been several to follow her example. We go back in memory most of us to the time when we were boys, and looked up at the old church tower at night, perhaps on the last evening of the year, and could see midway up the tower, when the stars were overhead and the sky almost blue-black, a window letting out a bright stream of light. The bells are ringing out the old year, and you know that there are men who are ringing out, with a sense of the solemnity of the duty they are discharging and dispersing far and wide over many miles, the sacred message, which makes people in their homes, old and young, think of the past, and the possibilities and the hopes of the new year. That is one of my earliest recollections. I pass on to another stage in my life, when I was at Cambridge. I used to think that listening to St. Mary's bells was one of the privileges of University life. "I had my rooms at King's and used to have the window wide open to listen to the bells of St. Mary's. I remember so well, on a bright summer evening, hearing for the first time a muffled peal, and being enormously struck with the beauty of that muffled ringing, and not knowing what it meant I inquired, and was told that one of the ringers had died, and my brothers were ringing a muffled peal in memory of one who had been with them for many years. Side by side with that, I think of that other day in the Abbey, of that extraordinary service which we had on Thursday, when we tried to do honour to the Unknown British Warrior. As the King stepped out of Westminster by the west door—at that very moment, the bells sounded a muffled peal, and I am quite sure it was one of the most moving and affecting incidents in a day which was full charged with extraordinarily affecting and moving scenes.

#### THE KING AND THE ABBEY BELLS.

I cannot refer to the Abbey bells without thinking of my friend opposite, Mr. Hughes (applause), who did our bells for us. No longer is the old tower of Westminster dumb. When I first came as Dean I was told the bells were never rung because it was dangerous and the tower would come down, but I said, when the King was crowned, we must have the bells rung, whatever happened (applause). I told the King that and he said, 'I suppose you do not mind if the tower does come down upon us?' (laughter). I told him I thought it was worth the risk (renewed laughter). Well, the tower survived; the King survived, and I survived (applause), so that was all right. But since then the bells have been rung and two new ones added; a proper cradle put up, and now we can ring the Abbey bells, and personally I delight in hearing them. It is a good sound (applause). I am not an expert, but it has been a perfect joy to me to hear Westminster Abbey tower speak again. I know that we have good ringers, and you are responsible, I believe, for securing that the ringing is good. I am able to tell people, when they come to Westminster Abbey, that we have a first-rate peal of bells and a first-rate set of ringers (applause). If they want to hear good bells and good ringers they may, of course, go to St. Paul's; but don't let us forget that at Westminster Abbey we are indebted to Mr. Hughes and to his men for having put them straight. It is a matter for which I thank him, and I thank all of you, because I realise that you are College brothers and what is prosperity or fame or honour for one man, Mr. Hughes is prosperity and fame and honour for you all (applause). There is a great privilege in belonging to a College, which is a congregation of real brotherhood, and I am glad to think that the church towers which are the glory of the land, and the bells which are the glory of the towers, should be and are a bond of union between you, the brothers of this society (loud applause).

The other toasts included 'The Ancient Society of College Youths' proposed by the Rev. Canon Coleridge, and replied to by Mr. Cockerill; 'The London and Provincial Ringing Societies,' submitted by the Vice-Chairman, and responded to by Mr. E. A. Young, Rev. F. L. Edwards and Mr. A. Paddon Smith; 'The Visitors' and 'The Press.' The report of these speeches will appear in our next issue.

#### STOKE-ON-TRENT SOCIETY.

A very pleasant and enjoyable evening was spent at Norton (Staffs.) on Tuesday, Nov. 2nd, when a party of ringers from Burslem paid a visit for the purpose of a combined practice with the ringers of Norton. It was a very successful and eventful meeting, and the Burslem ringers would like to thank Mr. Wheeldon and his band for their advice and instruction, which enabled them to bring round touches in the following methods: Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine Oxford Treble Bob, and closing with a 720 of Violet as a birthday compliment to the conductor of the Burslem band. The Cambridge was the first Surprise ringing by the visitors. The ringers taking part were Messrs. Wheeldon, W. Denno, G. Lawrence, F. Dawson, Weatherby, F. Triner, T. Hilditch, T. Hurd, J. Hurd and A. Lees.

KIDDERMINSTER.—On October 5th, a quarter-peal of London Surprise Major (1280 changes): J. Woodberry 1, G. Davis 2, N. Davis 3, Keith Salter (1st quarter-peal of Major) 4, T. J. Salter 5, J. Davies 6, J. Smith 7, C. H. Woodberry (conductor) 8. These bells have been recently overhauled, but the result is not very satisfactory.

## NOTICES.

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BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ichester Deanery Branch.—A meeting of the above Branch will be held at Curry Rivel on Saturday, Nov. 20th.—S. Farrant, Hon. Local Sec., North Street, Martock.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—A meeting of the North and East district will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 5. Tea at 5.30; business meeting to follow.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Basingstoke on Saturday, Nov. 20th. St. Michael's tower open at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45 to be followed by the annual business meeting.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. District Sec., Deane Rectory, Overton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Accrington on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society) (Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 20th, at St. Alfege, Greenwich. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., business meeting at 6 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James', Haslingden, on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells ready 5.30. Meeting at 7. Good attendance requested.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Whitworth on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting 6.30. Subscriptions are now due.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Deane (St. Mary) on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells available 3.30. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Newbury Branch.—The annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at Newbury on Saturday, Nov. 20th, in St. Nicholas' Parish Room. Evensong 4.30. Tea and business 5 p.m.—E. M. Thorp, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Mersham on Saturday, Nov. 20th, for combined practice in Stedman principle. Bells available from 3 o'clock. It is hoped that members will avail themselves of this special opportunity to learn Stedman.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western Division.—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Michael's,



Bishop's Stortford, on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Short service 5 p.m., followed by tea and business at the Chequer's Hotel.—F. Dench, Hon. Sec., 39, Pleasant Valley, Saffron Walden.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wickwar on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berke'ey, Glos.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—A meeting will be held at Isham, Northants, on Nov. 20th. Bells available at 2.30. Service at 4. Tea will be provided at 4.30, but the catering will be considerably simplified if all those who possibly can would inform Mr. W. Wilson, The Pines, Isham, Kettering, of their intention of being present. All ringers and friends welcome.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Nov. 30th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 25th; \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Halsted on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells available from 2.30. Short service with address 4.30. Tea will be provided in Co-operative Hall (opposite railway station) for all those who send me their names not later than Monday, Nov. 22nd. Members are requested to be present as the District officers for the ensuing year will be elected.—B. Redgwell, District Sec., Rayne, near Braintree.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Coppull, near Chorley, on Nov. 27th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Springfield on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting in the Vestry Hall. Note: Chelmsford Tower (St. Mary's) will also be open from 7.30 until 9 p.m. Will all members intending to be present please notify me by Nov. 27th?—P. Timson, District Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Clifton Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Bells open from 2.30. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Will all those requiring tea please let me hear not later than Saturday, Nov. 27th?—Edith Smith, 12, Auburn Road, Redland, Bristol.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL.**—A tea and social will be held at St. Thomas' Church, Bristol, on Nov. 27th. Ringing at St. Mary's, Redcliffe, 1.30 to 5. Announcement later. Ringers from distant places heartily welcomed. Tickets 1/6. Tea 5 o'clock.—Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Appledore on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells available from 2 p.m.—H. Balcombe, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Saxmundham District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Rendham on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells of the Parish Church, also Sweffling, available afternoon and evening. Business meeting in Church House at 5.30.—George Wilson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—A quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Colwall, Nov. 27th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5.30.—Richard Thomas, Coddington, Ledbury, Hon. Sec.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The meeting for November will be held at St. Michael's, Headingley, on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells available from 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m.—William Gage, Hon. Sec.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—A quarterly meeting of this Guild will be held at Bilston, Staffs, Nov. 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, which will be conducted by the Rev. Canon Ford (Vicar).—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at Harrietsham on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells available at 3. Service at 5. Tea at 5.45, business meeting afterwards. Will all ringers intending to be present let the Sec. know not later than Nov. 22nd?—S. Hayzelden, Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Long Eaton on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—Thos. H. Kirby.

**BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the above will be held at Horbury on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Ringing to commence at 3 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. Geo. Hunt, Northgate, Horbury, by Dec. 2nd.—A. Panther, Sec. (*pro tem.*).

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Chatham, on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available from 3 to 9. Short service at 5 followed by business meeting in the vestry.—Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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**RAWMARSH.**—The band at St. Mary's, under the guidance of Mr. Sam Thomas, of Sheffield Cathedral, rang their first 720 of Bob Minor on October 26th: Sam Thomas 1, C. Wilson 2, A. Stocks 3, T. Winchcombe 4, E. Parmenter 5, T. Cooper 6.



**CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION REVIVED.**

The Cumberland Association has been revived, and the first meeting since 1914 was held on Saturday, Nov. 6th, at St. Michael's Parish Room, Workington. About 30 members were present, from Aspatria, Bridekirk, Carlisle, Cockermouth, Cleator Moor, Egremont, Hensingham, Irton, and Workington.—The Hon. Secretary, Mr. Wallis (Carlisle) presented a report, which showed a balance in hand of £5 11s. 5d.

Canon Parker (Cockermouth) was elected patron, and the Rev. S. P. L. Curwon, Workington, president. The vice-presidents were re-elected, and Mr. J. J. Wallis was re-elected hon. secretary and treasurer. Messrs. G. W. Tamby (Egremont) and T. Birkett (Cockermouth) were appointed auditors.

It was decided that the competition should be revived, and be held at Hensingham on Easter Monday, and that any method be rung. — Quarterly meetings are also to be held, the first at Aspatria in February, when Kent Treble Bob will be practised.

The bells of St. Michael's were found to be in poor condition, but Treble Bob was attempted and brought round. When the meeting closed everyone was satisfied that the C.A.C.R. had again come to life, and that the prospects looked very bright for the future.

**NEW PEAL OF FIVE.**

The Kingston-on-Soar war memorial to the men of the parish who sacrificed their lives on the field of battle consists of two bells, and these have now been dedicated by the Rural Dean, the Rev. R. Hargreaves. Upwards of two hundred pounds was subscribed by the parishioners. A crowded congregation was present at the service, and an inspiring sermon was preached by the Rural Dean. The bells have been cast by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, and are inscribed: 'In memory of the Great War, 1914-1919.' Three bells, the gift of the late Lord Belper, were placed in the tower by the Loughborough firm in December, 1900, the tenor weighing 10 cwt. The two bells that have just been added make a peal of five. The framework in the tower was made to hold six bells. After the service the bells were pealed for a short time.

**BIDDENDEN, KENT.**—On Sunday, Sept. 26th, for evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. H. Lambert 1, C. Tribe 2, H. Weller 3, A. Bowell 4, L. Hones 5, F. S. Macey 6, J. Arthur (conductor) 7, O. Hodges 8.

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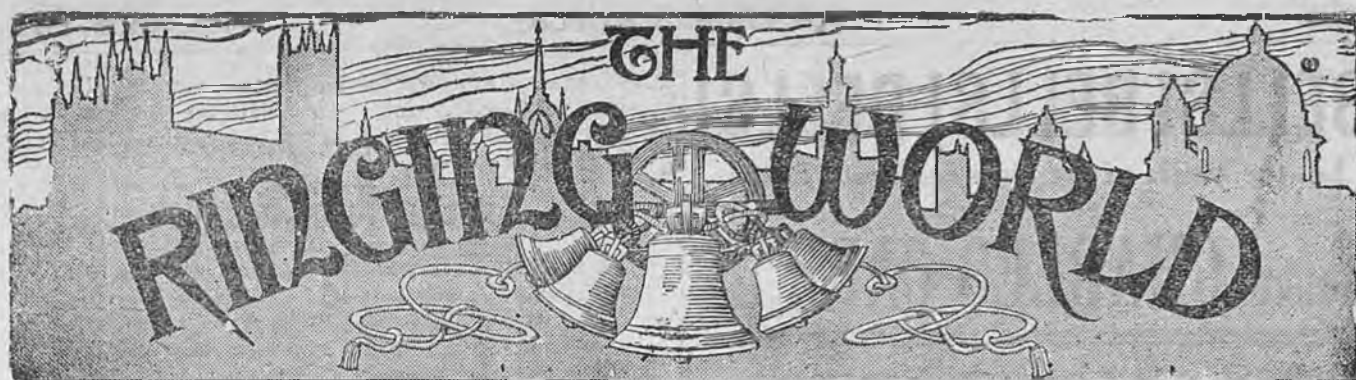
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## TO INCREASE REVENUE.

Every day almost brings us evidence of the concern of ringers for the future of 'The Ringing World' and expressions of a desire that the Exercise should rally to the support of the journal as the only link between the ringers of the kingdom. Many of these proofs of goodwill have been prompted by the article which appeared in our 500th number, and those who have the interest of ringing at heart are genuinely anxious that the Exercise shall not be left without a paper devoted to its affairs. From several sources have come the suggestion that an addition to revenue might be made by payment for the insertion of peals, which admittedly occupy a good deal of room and are given very considerable prominence. This proposal has been made to us on a number of occasions, and recently it has been discussed at more than one meeting. The other day a resolution supporting it was passed at a Middlesex gathering, and a very kindly letter urging the point has come from the Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Association.

Need we say that the spirit of these proposals is deeply appreciated. The Exercise is a great brotherhood, and for that reason we are able to lay before it our views with the same feeling as in a family circle. There is every need to increase the revenue of the journal in the face of the present cost of production, but we have hesitated to adopt the idea of charging for peal reports, and for this reason: Peals are an important part of the records of the Exercise, and although the traditional method of reporting them in peal-board fashion is a costly one, they are news to which a great deal of interest attaches. Moreover, it is possible that the making of such a levy would deter some ringers from sending in their peals for publication, and while there are some who will say that ringers who were not prepared to pay, say, twopence each for this purpose, do not deserve to have their peals chronicled, yet we do not lose sight of the fact that the non-publication of a portion of the peals would irretrievably break the continuity of the present record of all peals rung throughout the country.

However, there seems to be among many ringers a desire that something should be done on the lines suggested by the Middlesex Association and also put forward by Mr. Cave, and we are open to receive the opinion of ringers upon the subject. We cannot undertake to publish all the views which we receive, but doubtless a selection will be interesting, and we propose not to commit ourselves to one policy or the other until we have heard other opinions. If we are to expand to those proportions and on those lines which we desire and which the Exercise merits, additional income has got to be raised and we should be the last to despise such a source as that mentioned. However, having

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stated, against our own interests some may say, but quite frankly, 'the other view,' we leave the matter for the moment for the consideration of our readers, and particularly the peal ringers.

### ARMISTICE PEALS.

SHEPTON MAULET, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

*WILLIAM J. BIRD ... .. Treble	THOMAS F. KING ... .. 5
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 2	WALTER FARLEY ... .. 6
HENRY J. TRIM ... .. 3	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. 7
DAVID G. TAYLOR ... .. 4	THOMAS GRIFFIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

Rung half-muffled by request of the Town Memorial Committee, and especially for the four local ringers who gave their lives in the war, viz., W. Woolard, J. Hodges, J. E. Hodges and Bernard Webb.

\* First peal.

WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt.

*THOMAS WALTERS ... .. Treble	*SIDNEY HOLT ... .. 6
FRANCIS W. NEATE ... .. 2	WILLIAM PAGE ... .. 7
JOHN J. JEFFRIES ... .. 3	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 8
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4	WILLIAM EDGINGTON ... .. 9
JOSEPH BRETTTELL ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. JOHNSON ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by W. PAGE.

\* First peal on ten bells.

WORSLEY, LANC.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Nov. 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

VICAR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 21½ cwt.

WILFRED GRUNDY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM OAKES ... .. 5
FRED GRUNDY ... .. 2	JOSEPH H. RIDYARD ... .. 6
WILLIAM JONES ... .. 3	PERCY H. DERBYSHIRE ... .. 7
STANLEY HURRISSON ... .. 4	JOSEPH RIDYARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. RIDYARD.

Rung for Armistice and in memory of the fallen. Service arrangements prevented an attempt on Nov. 11th.

DEANE, BOLTON, LANC.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

GEORGE PINCOTT ... .. Treble	RICHARD P. HEALD ... .. 5
FRED ARBOTT ... .. 2	PETER CROOK ... .. 6
TITUS BARLOW ... .. 3	JOSEPH GREGORY ... .. 7
THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... .. 4	JOHN POTTER ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN THORP. Conducted by THOMAS B. WORSLEY.

MIDSOMER NORTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

*ERIC CHIVERS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM KEEVILL ... .. 5
STANLEY CARTER ... .. 2	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 6
*ARTHUR SPEED ... .. 3	THOMAS GRIFFIN ... .. 7
JOHN G. HAMBLETON ... .. 4	*WALTER FORD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

Rung half-muffled on Armistice Day. \* First peal.



SALEHURST, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*ERNEST W. EDWARDS ... Treble	THOMAS HOAD ... .. 5
FREDERICK MORGAN ... .. 2	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. 6
JOHN H. EDWARDS ... .. 3	TRAYTON BOOTH ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. HOAD ... .. 4	JAMES GOODSSELL ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. THURSTAN. Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

\* First peal, age 15 years. Rung to celebrate Armistice Day and as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

42 six-scores ten different callings. Tenor 22½ cwt. in D.

ARTHUR NASON ... .. Treble	WILLIAM R. NASH ... .. 5
REV. HAROLD J. SCOTT ... .. 2	*ERNEST E. GRIFFITHS ... .. 6
WILLIAM MEAD ... .. 3	DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 7
HUBERT JAMES ... .. 4	HUBERT WINDERS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

Rung half-muffled in memory of the men of Ludlow, who gave their lives for their country in the Great War. \* First peal. The ringers of 2, 3 and 6 hail from Clun, the rest are local ringers. Rung with 4, 6 and 8 covering.

CHESTER.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

HARRY LEWIS ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 5
EDWARD HARRISON ... .. 2	MARTIN HARRIS ... .. 6
FRANK FOX ... .. 3	GILBERT GERRARD ... .. 7
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 4	ARTHUR NEWELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled for those who fell in the war and on the occasion of burying the Unknown British Warrior in Westminster Abbey. All the ringers are members of the tower.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb. in D.

*HARRY BURDOCK ... .. Treble	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5
*CHARLES N. BURDOCK ... .. 2	*WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... .. 6
HENRY HUTTON ... .. 3	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 7
*GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 4	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES HUNT. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

This peal was rung to celebrate Armistice Day, also as a compliment to Alderman G. W. Franks upon his election as Mayor of Guildford, his native town. \* First peal in the method. Mr. G. W. Steere's 50th peal.

TRUMPINGTON, CAMBS.  
THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND MICHAEL,

### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

42 Six-scores. Tenor 11 cwt.

*WILLIAM H. RAYNOR ... Treble	*MISS KITTY WILLERS ... 3
*ARTHUR C. WILSON ... .. 2	WILLIAM B. KEMPTON ... 4
FRANK E. KEMPTON ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by F. E. KEMPTON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in honour of Armistice Day. First peal on the bells. \* First peal and first attempt, and elected a member of the Association previous to starting. Ringers of 4 and 5 belong to Cambridge Youths.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*WALTER MASSEY ... .. Treble	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. 5
JAMES GEORGE ... .. 2	ALBERT PRESTRIDGE ... .. 6
WILLIAM BROWN ... .. 3	ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 7
JOHN BASS ... .. 4	JOSEPH FAULKNER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED DAVIES.

Rung to celebrate the 2nd anniversary of the Armistice. \* First peal of Stedman.

HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

GEORGE PIGOTT ... .. Treble	*HARRY BRAGG ... .. 5
*EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... .. 2	ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. 6
†VICTOR G. H. HEMUS ... .. 3	*HUBERT H. HASTINGS ... .. 7
*WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... .. 4	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. FRITCHARD. Conducted by GEORGE PIGOTT.

\* First peal of Bob Major. † First peal of Bob Major 'inside.' Rung on the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice.

DEPTFORD, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

### A PEAL OF XFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

DR. A. B. CARPENTIER'S ONE-PART.

SYDNEY E. DAYNES ... .. Treble	RICHARD A. RICHES ... .. 5
REGINALD D. MARSHALL ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. DAYNES ... .. 6
*FREDERICK BARNES ... .. 3	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... .. 7
GEORGE W. HARRIS ... .. 4	JAMES MENZIES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

\* First peal. First peal in the method by all the band except the conductor and also by the St. Nicholas Society. It is also the first peal in the method on the bells by a fully local band. Rung on the second anniversary of the Armistice, and as a birthday compliment to Sydney E. Daynes, son of the conductor, on his 26th birthday.

EDMONTON.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

WALTER J. BOWDEN ... .. Treble	MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... 5
*EDWARD H. KING ... .. 2	WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 6
*CHARLES HARE ... .. 3	JAMES PARKER ... .. 7
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 4	GEORGE PAICE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by MISS E. K. PARKER.

\* First Surprise peal. First peal in the method. Rung in honour of Armistice Day.

DISS, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

ARTHUR W. LUDER ... .. Treble	THOMAS FORD ... .. 5
FRANCIS S. WILSON ... .. 2	ELLIS HAYWARD ... .. 6
WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. 3	JOHN SOUTER ... .. 7
CLEMENT J. MORE ... .. 4	CHARLES MILLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN SOUTER.

The ringers of 4, 5 and 8 hail from Palgrave, the rest are local men. The peal was a variation of Thurstan's four-part peal by Sir A. P. Heywood, and was rung in commemoration of Armistice Day.

**DORKING, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Martin,*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

ERNEST WEATHERBY ... .. Treble	JOHN H. WHITE ... .. 5
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 2	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 6
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 7
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 4	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by A. H. WINCH.

Rung on the second anniversary of the signing of the Armistice, which also coincides with the patronal festival of the Church (St. Martin's Day).

**ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

SGT. E. FLETCHER (Notts and Derby Regt.) ... .. Treble	HENRY STRAW ... .. 4
CLER. SGT. JOSEPH H. ILIFFE (Notts and Derby Regt.) ... .. 2	JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 5
ISAAC HUFTON ... .. 3	SPR. H. HARRISON (R.E.) ... .. 6
	GNR. C. J. BAKER (R.G.A.) ... .. 7
	*PTE. FRANK TARTON (North Staffords) ... .. Tenor

Conducted by SAPPER HENRY HARRISON.

Rung with bells half-muffled in honour of those fallen in the war, and as a memorial peal to Pte. Hubert Tartton, a member of the local band. \* First peal.

**EXHALL, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**

(THE ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, ALLESLEY.)

*On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Giles,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's, called differently. Tenor 6½ cwt. in B flat.

GEORGE GARDINER ... .. Treble	FRED GARDNER ... .. 4
HUBERT SUMMERS ... .. 2	CHARLES AYLETT ... .. 5
JOHN TAYLOR ... .. 3	JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. W. WHITE.

First peal on the bells, which have been augmented to six by the addition of two trebles and a tenor as a war memorial, and were dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Coventry on the above date.

**STAPLEFORD, CAMBS.  
THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's. Tenor 7 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

*ALBERT J. LAYTON ... .. Treble	*FRED NUNN ... .. 4
†ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... .. 2	*EDWARD FINCH ... .. 5
*THOMAS P. FINCH ... .. 3	ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST G. HIBBINS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute to the men of this parish who fell in the Great War. First peal of Treble Bob by all the band. With the exception of the conductor, who is a member of the Fen Ditton Society, the ringers are members of the local company. \* First peal. † First peal as conductor.

**FULBOURN, CAMBS.  
THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

*On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Vigor and All Saints,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Worcester, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

†GEORGE BRIDGE ... .. Treble	*ARTHUR PAGE ... .. 4
†CHARLIE HALL ... .. 2	JOSEPH PAGE ... .. 5
*CHARLIE PATTEN ... .. 3	BASIL D. BUTTRESS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by BASIL D. BUTTRESS.

Rung to commemorate the 2nd anniversary of Armistice Day. \* First peal and first attempt. † First peal in seven methods.

**NORWICH.**

**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John De Sepulchre,*

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

G. MAYERS ... .. Treble	LIEUT. B. THOMPSON (The Rifle Brigade) ... .. 5
SGT. F. PHILLIPS (Norfolk Regt.) ... .. 2	SGT. G. CROSS (Norfolk Regt.) ... .. 6
L/CPL A. ROUGHT (R.A.M.C.) ... .. 3	PTE. F. HOWCHIN (1st V.B. Norfolk Regt.) ... .. 7
PTE. W. DUNCAN (Devon Regt.) ... .. 4	BONDR. W. MAYERS (R.F.A.) Tenor

Composed by G. HARDY.

Conducted by G. CROSS.

Rung on anniversary of Armistice, half-muffled, to the memory of fallen comrades, among whom were F. J. Cross and W. Hemphall, ringers at this Church. It was originally intended that the band should be all ex-service men, but two, through unforeseen circumstances, were prevented from turning up, their places being kindly taken by G. Mayers (father of tenor ringer) and F. Howchin.

**HORSMONDEN, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Margaret,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's of Oxford Bob, three of Canterbury Pleasure and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 20 cwt.

ALBERT RELFE ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, SEN. ... .. 4
ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 2	RICHARD HOPE ... .. 5
REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... .. 3	JAMES WAGHORN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

Rung on the second anniversary of the signing of the Armistice.

**ALDEBURGH-ON-SEA, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*LEONARD W. BALE ... .. Treble	GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... .. 4
FREDERICK J. SMITH ... .. 2	LEONARD W. HEMBLING ... .. 5
ALBERT J. LINCOLN ... .. 3	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

Rung on the second anniversary of the Armistice, with half-muffled clappers, to the memory of William J. Lovett, a ringer at the above Church, who fell in action in Italy June 15th, 1918. \* First peal and first attempt.

**DERBY.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... .. Treble	WILLIAM POYSER ... .. 5
WILFRED H. BUXTON ... .. 2	JOSEPH LORD ... .. 6
GEO. WM. BRAME ... .. 3	JOHN W. GLEW ... .. 7
J. ARTHUR ORGILL ... .. 4	CHARLES HEYCOCK ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. THURSTAN.

Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

Rung in celebration of the signing of the Armistice.

**LIVERPOOL BELLS RESTORED.**

At the Catholic Church of St. Francis Xavier, Liverpool, the bells were unringable for three or four years. They have now, however, been restored, and gave great pleasure to the members of the Lancashire Association, who held a meeting there on Saturday week. Ringers were present from Aughton, Walton, West Derby, Hayton, Rainhill, Grassendale, Garston, Liverpool, and the local company, and were welcomed at the meeting by Father Bridge. Garston was chosen for the next meeting; three new members were elected, and the hope expressed that the new ringers at St. Francis Xavier's would soon become members of the association. Thanks were accorded to Father Bridge, and to Mr. Bond for having the bells in readiness. Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung during the afternoon.

**OCTOGENARIAN RINGER HONOURED.****A TWO DAYS' CELEBRATION.**

Born in Wednesbury, Staffs., on Nov. 12th, 1839, Mr. William Rock Small, the Tipton veteran, celebrated his 81st birthday on the 12th inst. Mr. Small, whose first peal (Kent Treble Bob Royal) was rung in 1866, has been connected with Tipton 'Pepper Box' for over 40 years, and it was fitting that his birthday peal should be rung at that belfry. After the successful attempt the band, joined by Mrs. Gough, Mrs. Groves and Mrs. Horton, were entertained by Mr. Small at the Britannia Inn, and after the repast handbell touches were rung and Mr. Horton sang 'The Trumpeter.'

To Mr. James George fell the happy task of proposing the health of Mr. Small, and in felicitous terms referred to the ability of their old friend and his remarkable vigour, both of mind and body, at his great age. He congratulated the band on the way in which the peal of that afternoon had been rung, and Mr. Groves, on the perfect way in which he had conducted. He trusted that Mr. Small would live long to ring with him and others, as he had done with the speaker for between 30 and 40 years.

Mr. Jagger seconded, pointing to Mr. Small's name and fame in the ringing world, and describing him as the grand old man of campanological art and science.

Mrs. Groves expressed the thanks of the ladies for their invitation and the pleasure they had received, and wished long life to Mr. Small, who, she hoped, would be spared to join them round the festive board for some years to come.

Mr. Horton spoke of the encouragement the older ringers gave to young men like himself, and said he only hoped he should ring as well, eventually, as Mr. Small did.

Other complimentary and congratulatory remarks having been made, the toast was drunk right heartily.

Mr. Small, in response, spoke of his connection with bell ringing for more than 60 years, and drew a striking contrast between the old beer-drinking and disorderly bell-ringing days of his youth and now. He claimed that ringers had entirely changed for the better. They were now looked on as a class that ought to be encouraged as part of the real life of the church, and not looked down upon as they once were. The alteration and improvement in the men, in the condition of the belfries and in other ways, had been brought about by the ringers taking an interest in themselves and their art. By forming associations and guilds to keep up the standard they had forced the clergy and the public to a better opinion of them. He trusted that the improvement would be maintained, and that the young bands

would be trained to grow up with an interest in and love for their art and all that it implied in its best sense. He had always tried to do his best in that direction, and he hoped the kindly brotherhood established among ringers would continue and grow, for there was no art which contributed more to mental and bodily health. He heartily thanked all for their kindness in giving up their time to come there that day, and he was deeply appreciative of the honour they had done him (applause).

To further celebrate the event a ten-bell company of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford and the Dudley and District Guild attempted, on the following day at Wednesbury, a peal of 5881 Stedman Caters, specially composed for the occasion by Mr. John Carter, but this unfortunately was lost, after nearly two hours' ringing: James E. Groves (the Ringing Master of St. Martin's, Birmingham), 1, John Jagger (Oldbury and Burton) 2, James George (Birmingham) 3, Geo. Hughes (Wednesbury Parish Church) 4, Herbert Knight (Wolverhampton, St. Peter's) 5, William Fisher (Cosceley, and Master of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Staffs), conductor, 6, Alfred Rowley (Tipton) 7, Bert Horton (Wood Green and Darlaston) 8, Thomas Reeves (West Bromwich) 9, Ben Gough (Cosceley Parish Church) 10.

Mr. Small was unable to take part in this peal, but heard most of the ringing, and afterwards came into the old belfry which he loves so much. He invited the band and a few of the ringers' wives (Mrs. J. E. Groves, Mrs. Ben Gough and Mrs. Bert Horton) to the Three Tuns Hotel, Union Street (the ringers' Wednesbury home), where a most sumptuous spread was awaiting the company. Mr. Ben Gough was voted to the chair and Mr. James George proposed the toast of the evening in a most able speech. 'Congratulations to Mr. William Rock Small on attaining his 81st birthday.' Mr. John Jagger and Mrs. Groves also endorsed the good wishes.

Mr. Small, in response, made a happy speech, saying how pleased he was to be well enough to be with his friends that evening, although he felt the effects of the strain of the two hours and forty-five minutes of the previous day. He was very grateful to Him above for sparing him for 81 years, and giving him the health to take part in the splendidly-struck peal which had been accomplished on his anniversary day. He was sorry the second peal had not been successful, but he trusted there would be better luck on the next occasion. He was very pleased to see the ladies present on both evenings, and thanked them and all the ringers who had taken part in the peals at Tipton and Wednesbury.

Mr. George proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Small for entertaining the company, and this brought to a close one of the pleasantest and most enjoyable evenings the ringers ever had.

B. G.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. James George will be 67 to-morrow. If the Fates are kind he will fittingly celebrate it in the city of London.

The parish of Clun, Salop, has the distinction of having a ringing curate and a ringing warden, who take their places regularly in the tower.

R. G. Marshall, who will not be 17 years old until next January, took part in a peal of Oxford Bob Triples at Deptford on November 11th, his tenth peal since the last Armistice anniversary. These peals included a peal of Bob Maximus at Southwark, and his tutor inquires if he is the youngest ringer to score a peal on 12.

We believe that some years ago a ringer of only 15 years of age rang a peal of Stedman Cinques at Birmingham, but we have no recollection of a younger ringer than Reg. Marshall scoring a peal of Maximus. Perhaps some of our readers can tell us.

In discussing the financial position of the Lancashire Association in the annual report, the committee say there is a great leakage in subscriptions. The amount received from performing members last year, even assuming that it included no back payments, would only account for 602 members out of a roll of 1,084. If all whose names are on the books would pay their subscriptions at the present rate regularly, the expenses would be more than met.

A band that started to learn change ringing since the war at Blunsdon, Wilts, rang their first peal on November 13th on the occasion of the dedication of the church war memorial, which consisted of a lych gate. It was the first peal on the bells, and by all except the conductor. The treble man is 67 and the tenor man 64. It's never too late to learn.

Another member of the Lancashire Association has been added to those who hold civic office. At the recent election of councillors for the ancient borough of Ekeles, Mr. Amos Trippier was elected out of four candidates for his ward, with a majority of 247 over his nearest opponent.

The claim to the first peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major on the bells at Bocking, Essex, which was made for a peal published in our last issue will not stand. We are informed by Mr. A. Shufflebotham that the first peal in this method rung at Bocking was on April 24th, 1909.

Ringers will much regret to hear that Mr. W. W. Gifford, formerly of Salisbury, is in a very serious state of health. He is now paralysed, and, we are informed, his speech is entirely gone.

We are asked to state that owing to the unsafe state of the tower, ringing at Christ Church, Southport, is suspended until further notice.

## ARMISTICE DAY AT THE ABBEY.

It will no doubt be of interest to many ringers to know the actual part taken by the Abbey Bells at that wonderful service when the unknown warrior received all those honours that the nation could give.

From 10 a.m. until 10.58, the tenor was tolled at minute intervals; this in itself was almost the greatest honour the Abbey bells could render, as the Abbey tenor is never tolled except for the King or a Dean of Westminster. At 11.5 the tenor was again tolled, but at half-minute intervals, until the funeral cortege reached the precincts of the Abbey. At the conclusion of the service, at the exact moment the King left the Abbey by the west door, the bells rang out half-muffled; first in very slow, impressive rounds; afterwards they went into changes with a touch of Stedman Triples. During the afternoon and evening muffled touches were rung at stated intervals. Two long courses of Kent Treble Bob Major are worthy of special mention, rung in slow time with perfect striking that produced a wonderful effect.

The following members of the Ancient Society of College Youths took part in the ringing: S. Andrews, H. W. Belcher, Rev. F. L. Edwards, A. A. Hughes, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Pasmore, W. H. Pasmore, J. Rumley, W. D. Smith and J. Wiltshire.

## THE LATE MR. GREENLEAF.

Writing from Salisbury, Mr. J. R. Jerram says he well remembers the peal of 11,111 Stedman Caters, in which the late Mr. William Greenleaf took part, at Fulham, on Dec. 8th, 1883, and which occupied 7 hours and 12 minutes. It was conducted by Mr. James Pettit. Mr. W. Greenleaf stayed with Mr. Jerram on the night before, and went off to London in the morning somewhat doubtful as to the accomplishment of the peal, which he described as a 'big job.'

After the peal was accomplished it was found that the rope of the seventh bell, which Mr. Greenleaf rang, was cut through at the fillet-hole in the wheel, and was only hanging together by one strand. The peal was, at that time, the longest length of Stedman Caters ever rung.

For some years before he left for New Zealand Mr. Greenleaf was in business at Hereford, in partnership with Mr. Tristram, as a church bell hanger. He did several jobs about Salisbury, including Downton, which were entirely rehung with new oak frame (6 bells, tenor 23 cwt.), and Barford St. Martin's, with cast iron frame, on oak foundation (6 bells, tenor 13 cwt.), new treble added to peal of five to make six, and old treble recast by Mears and Stainbank at the same time.



**'THE RINGING WORLD.'****A PROPOSAL.**

Dear Sir,—In your leading article of the 500th number, you tell us frankly that if our paper is still to continue one of two things must happen—either it must attain a larger circulation, or the price must be raised. To take circulation first. How can we get new readers? I have tried myself, but have been met with, 'What is there in it to interest beginners?' (and it is to the beginners in the art that we shall have to look if there is to be any appreciable increase). Unfortunately there was nothing that I could give as an example that would interest or help a beginner. Let me assure you, Sir, that I do not attribute this fault to you. You have to 'cut the coat according to the cloth'; in other words, if the revenue only justifies a 12 or even 8 page paper it would be folly to give 20; for that way bankruptcy lies, and we should be without a paper at all.

You say further on in the same article, 'Schemes for the expansion of the paper and an extension of features of interest have long been matured, but are held up by the difficulties which continually face us.' I know something of the difficulties; paper about 100 times pre-war price; wages three times what they were (in some places more than this), is only to mention two of the items that go to make up the weekly expense sheet.

Now, Sir, I have been thinking that perhaps, if we had these new features you mention the circulation might go up considerably on their account, but at present receipts do not justify the necessary expansion. I wish to offer a suggestion to my brother ringers throughout the country, with your permission, and it is this, that in future the conductor of every successful peal shall collect from each of the ringers, in the peal the sum of twopence and forward it with the account of the peal to the 'Ringing World.' If this suggestion is generally approved, and carried out, it would, I feel sure, be the means of developing our journal, and lead to that which is much to be desired, viz., a larger circulation.

I do not think the average ringer knows how much a successful peal costs his association. In annual reports they are usually printed three on a page, so that each peal will cost anything from 3s. to 4s., according to the number of reports printed. From this ringers should see what an advantage publication in the 'Ringing World' is. Were I left to decide the form in which peals should appear in association's reports, after having appeared in extenso in the 'Ringing World,' they would take up one line only under the headings: date, time, method, etc.

I have said nothing about your second alternative, increase of price, as I think it would be fatal.

May I appeal to ringers generally to give my suggestion favourable consideration, and send their views to the Editor.

W. A. CAVE.

P.S.—Since writing the above, I have gone into figures more fully, and I find that we could not expect to feel the benefit of even a 2d. levy per ringer for some time to come, but it would come eventually.

At the meeting of the South and West District of the Middlesex Association, at Heston, a motion in favour of a charge being made for the publication of peal reports was carried, after a lengthy discussion, and it was decided to send a resolution to the Central Committee of the Association asking their assistance to further this object.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.****KETTERING DISTRICT MEETING.**

A most successful ringing meeting of the Kettering District was held at Weekley on Saturday, Nov. 6th, 43 members being present from Burton, Broughton, Cranford, Cransley, Orlingbury, Desborough, Isham, Northampton, Pritchley, Kettering, Warkton, Wellingborough, Geddington, Weldon, and the local band.—The Vicar (the Rev. C. H. L. Hopper) conducted the service, and gave a most helpful address.—A collection for the belfry repairs fund amounted to 11s. 4d.

At the meeting the Vicar presided, and the General Secretary called members' notice to the alteration to Rule III., which comes into force at the beginning of next year.—The district secretary was instructed to express the sympathy of the members with the family of the late Mr. W. Horden.

The Vicar was elected a ringing member, and the General Secretary (Mr. D. J. Nichols) congratulated the Weekley ringers on the rapid strides they were making in change ringing.—A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, to the ladies for arranging the tea, and to the local ringers was unanimously accorded, and the Vicar in reply, said if the help continued from the neighbouring towers Weekley ringers would soon make proficient members of the Association.—Plain and Treble Bob Minor and Grandsire Doubles were rung during the day.

**COLLEGE YOUTHS' OFFICERS.**

The following officers have been elected for the year by the College Youths: Master, Mr. Harold J. Walton; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Albert A. Hughes; Senior Steward, Mr. George R. Fardon; Junior Steward, Mr. James C. P. Bayley; Trustees, Messrs. Challis F. Winney and Walter Prime; Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. T. Cockerill.

**COLLEGE YOUTHS' BANQUET.**

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**REMINISCENT SPEECHES.**

The toast of 'The Ancient Society of College Youths' was proposed by Canon Coleridge, who had a cordial reception, and regaled his hearers with anecdote and reminiscence in that style in which he excels. This, he said, was an age in which youth would be served, and he felt that time had come when the more important toasts should be entrusted to the more youthful members, and not to those who, like himself, were now grey and bald. That was an Ancient Society of Youths, and although he was no longer youthful he could truly claim to be ancient (laughter). He preferred the title 'ancient' because no less than 41 years had gone by since he joined the society. It was a very memorable year. In that year six members of the St. Sidwell's Society, Exeter, joined, and in the same year the band at Appleton joined the society, while shortly after he had the pleasure of singing with them what, for 20 years, remained the record for Stedman Caters—15,000 in 9 hrs. 15 mins. In that year, he believed he was right in saying, they enrolled upon their books the names of some who held very high places in the Exercise. Those names included Challis, Winney and John Carter (applause). This, continued Canon Coleridge, was a time of remembrance. To see the multitudes in Whitehall going to do honour to those who had departed this life was most impressive. The burial of that unknown warrior was a grand conception. It would have a great effect on the hearts and minds of Englishmen all over the world. It was, however, of those of their own society that he would like to say a word or two, so that they might bear in remembrance some of their old friends. He called particularly to mind four, who used to come frequently to grace their annual banquet. There was their old friend, Mr. Davies, with his Barking Youths; there was that dear old man, Mr. James Feitit, honoured by everybody; another who used to be with them almost every other year—one of the truest friends ringing ever had—was Sir Arthur Heywood; while only this week they had had news of the death of another old member—quite unknown to the younger generation of ringers, but one who was a fine ringer, and thoroughly good companion—Mr. Wm. Greenleaf. He remembered the last time he saw him. It was when some venturous spirits rang what was the first and probably would be the last peal on Lundy Island. Mr. Greenleaf was the ninth man and preferred to stand out. Mr. Bowen took off lumps of rust from the bearings of the bells in the morning, and used up all the castor oil he could find on the island (laughter). They managed to ring the peal, though they thought it was not an extra good one. But Mr. Greenleaf said it was excellent, and what Mr. Greenleaf said was what they might call gospel truth, because he never exaggerated, but always said exactly what he meant.

**A HIGH STANDARD.**

Proceeding, Canon Coleridge said the Dean had remarked how pleased he was to see so many young men among them, and he (the speaker) would remind them that they had a great heritage to maintain. What the College Youths had done in the past could be read in their records, but there was one thing to which he would specially like to refer (them), and that was the tremendously high standard that they had always set in twelve-bell ringing. He had heard it equalled in other places—Birmingham, for instance—but he had never heard it excelled, and he trusted that the younger men would be as careful in their striking as their ancient forefathers had been. Great things had been done in the past with long lengths, and he dared say that in the future the young men would try to emulate these deeds (hear, hear). He had to couple with the toast the name of Mr. Cockerill (applause), who was a genial companion and a good ringer; a prince of secretaries and a king among men (applause).

At this stage a splendidly struck course of Stedman Cinques was rung by J. Thomas 1—2, Mrs. F. I. Hairs 3—4, C. F. Winney 5—6, A. Walker 7—8, H. Langdon 9—10, W. T. Cockerill 11—12.

**CONTINUITY OF PEAL RECORDS.**

Mr. Cockerill, who replied to the toast, said apologies for absence had been received from Mrs. Leny (who was indisposed), Mr. W. P. Routh (Reading), Mr. J. W. Rowbotham, Mr. H. J. Walton, Mr. F. Smith (who had been taken suddenly ill), Mr. J. S. Pritchett and Mr. E. Denison Taylor. During the year, since the last gathering, the society had held 59 practices at different city churches and Southwark Cathedral. The Master topped the list of attendances with 54 (applause), and the 59 practices had been attended at some time or other by 104 members. They made 29 new members during the year, and they rang 22 peals, including five on handbells, viz., one each of Stedman Caters and Cinques, Grandsire Cinques, Bob Royal and Maximus. Since the last dinner they had had to make some alteration in the rules. They had found it necessary to raise the steeple-age and the booking fees for peals. Sooner or later they would have to discuss the question of making further increases, and it had been suggested that they might raise the entrance fee. They would also have to raise the price of certificates and rule books. It would be a great advantage to the society if they could have a larger list of annual subscribers. The booking of peals had become very costly. There were about 40 peals being booked at the present time, and he

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supposed the bill would run to close on £20. It seemed a sin that they should break the continuity of those magnificent old books. Al though they were cumbersome, they had been splendidly kept, and it would be folly to drop the records (applause). The only alternative was to try to increase the funds (hear, hear).

#### LONDON AND PROVINCIAL SOCIETIES.

The Vice-Chairman (Mr. A. A. Hughes) submitted the toast of 'London and Provincial Ringing Societies.' One thought, he said, at those happy meetings of the all-round good fellowship that existed, but such gatherings meant much more than that. They had gathered (that evening from far and near with one cause at heart, and that was, the Church (hear, hear). It was very gratifying to see among them so many representatives of kindred societies, and they realised that the progress of scientific change ringing throughout the provinces was due to the enthusiastic work of the various associations. The increase in their activities was to be seen in the very much greater number of peals and notices of meetings which appeared in the columns of 'The Ringing World,' now compared with the number in the ringing press of 15 or 20 years ago. Those who had had the pleasure of visiting some of the chief centres of ringing throughout the country, said Mr. Hughes, knew what a warm-hearted welcome they always received. It was, therefore, with all the more pleasure they saw the representatives of kindred societies with them that night. With regard to the London Societies they were glad to know that the Royal Cumberland Youths were still going strong, and it was also nice to know that the London County Association still kept up the traditions of the old St. James' Society, and enabled members of the College Youths and Cumberlands to meet together under one roof (applause).

Mr. E. A. Young (London County Association), responding for the London Societies, said while the London County Association could not claim the age of the College Youths or Cumberlands, yet it would soon celebrate its 100th birthday, and he hoped it would be fittingly commemorated. The London County Association, as the St. James' Society, was the outcome of the friendly rivalry between the College Youths and the Cumberlands, and it was a happy thing that their headquarters should be situated at St. Clement Danes, where they could hear the bells of both their founders, at St. Paul's and St. Martin's.

The Rev. F. L. Edwards (Salisbury Guild), in a facetious speech, next replied. 'Provincial Societies,' he said, was a wide term. It included those like St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, where they had such perfect twelve-bell ringing every week; the Winchester Guild, in parts of which they went into such wonderful performances on handbells every day of the week and sometimes twice a day (laughter); and the Norwich and Ipswich Association, where one team of brothers set to work and rang anything, whether on church bells or on handbells. It also included out of the way and rustic districts like that of his own Guild, where change ringing maintained a precarious existence, where the towers were isolated, where there was not a single peal of twelve, and where only within the last few years had they succeeded in increasing one peal of eight to ten. For those who came from such an out of the way part of the country, to find themselves at such a gathering as that was a great experience. It was also a great experience to go into the London towers, and by the good fellowship, which was such a marked characteristic of the College Youths, to get a little insight into ringing the higher methods and on the higher numbers of bells.

Mr. A. P. Smith, of St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, whose name was also coupled with the toast, said the College Youths always made visitors welcome. Personally he had had the privilege of ringing at St. Paul's Cathedral on many occasions, and it was a real, positive pleasure to hear the ringing as it was done at St. Paul's Sunday after Sunday—not on specially big occasions, but every Sunday and twice a Sunday. It should be the aim and ambition of every ringer to attain to that high standard of ringing (hear, hear). He admired the College Youths for keeping it up so religiously and insisting on every member who aspired to become a member of the Cathedral band reaching that high standard. Charles Dickens once dropped into a meeting of the College Youths at their house of refreshment, and he afterwards described them as good, steady smokers. Had he been there that night he would have had no reason to change his opinion (laughter), and he might have added that they were good steady eaters (laughter). Moreover, he might have gone further and said they were good steady drinkers (laughter). But what was more to the point was that they were good steady strikers (hear, hear). It was for that reason the College Youths had prospered, and should continue to prosper (applause).

#### CITY CHURCHES: REASONABLE SCHEME AFOOT.

Mr. W. D. Smith proposed 'The Visitors,' and referring to the presence of the son of Sir John Stainer (late organist of St. Paul's Cathedral), said Sir John was in a very great measure responsible for setting the twelve bells put into St. Paul's. He worked very hard to get the bells into the tower, and was a great admirer of them. He was an hon. member of the College Youths. They also had with them the Rector of St. Clement Danes, to whose labours for the restoration of his bells they as ringers were so much indebted. They also

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## NOTICES.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, Commercial Road, Woking.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL.**—Tea and social St. Thomas's Rooms, Victoria Street, Bristol, to-morrow. Ringing, St. Mary, Redcliffe, from 1.30 (12 bells); St. James', 2.30 (10 bells). Tea 5 p.m.; tickets 1/6. All come.—E. Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Yorktown District.—A combined practice will be held at Hawley on Saturday, Nov. 27th.—Bells available from 5 o'clock.—G. Miles.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Halsted on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells available from 2.30. Short service with address 4.30. Tea will be provided in Co-operative Hall (opposite railway station). Members are requested to be present as the District officers for the ensuing year will be elected.—B. Redgwell, District Sec., Rayne, near Braintree.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Coppull, near Chorley, on Nov. 27th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Springfield on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting in the Vestry Hall. Note: Chelmsford Tower (St. Mary's) will also be open from 7.30 until 9 p.m. Will all members intending to be present please notify me by Nov. 27th?—P. Timson, District Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Saxmundham District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Rendham on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells of the Parish Church, also Sweffling, available afternoon and evening. Business meeting in Church House at 5.30.—George Wilson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—A quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Colwall, Nov. 27th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5.30.—Richard Thomas, Coddington, Ledbury, Hon. Sec.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—The meeting for November will be held at St. Michael's, Headingley, on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells available from 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m.—William Gage, Hon. Sec.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—A quarterly meeting of this Guild will be held at Bilston, Staffs, Nov. 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, which will be conducted by the Rev. Canon Ford (Vicar).—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at Harrietsham on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells available at 3. Service at 5. Tea at 5.45, business meeting afterwards. Will all ringers intending to be present let the Sec. know not later later than Nov. 22nd?—S. Hayzelden, Lower Street, East Farleigh.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Long Eaton on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—Thos. H. Kirby.



**STANTON-ON-HINEHEATH, SALOP.**—The peal of six bells which have just been rehung will be reopened (no service) on Sunday, Nov. 28th, at 2 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—E. V. Rodenhurst, Hodnet, Salop.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James's Society).—A practice will be held at St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, on Monday, Nov. 29th, at 7.30 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Nov. 30th. Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Stoke on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Please notify me on or before Nov. 29 how many intend to be present from each tower.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent; J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Bletchley on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting at 4.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. Gear, Secretary, 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton Branch.—A special meeting will be held at Weston Favell on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Bells (5) ready 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. All those requiring tea please notify Mr. Tom Law, 3, St. Peter's Cottages, Weston Favell, not later than Dec. 2nd. A good attendance is requested.—Sidney J. Lawrence, District Secretary, 7, Castilian Terrace, Northampton.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above for combined practice in Stedman and Treble Bob methods will be held at Folkestone on Saturday, Dec. 4th, to commence at 6 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Secretary.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The December meeting will be held at Rotherham on Saturday 4th. The bells (10) of the Parish Church will be open from 3 o'clock, also the eight bells of St. Stephen's will be available all the afternoon. A short service will be held in the Parish Church at 5 p.m. followed by tea in the Westgate Mission Hall at a nominal charge. Those who wish to take tea must notify Mr. Colin Ryder, 328, Sheffield Road, Templeboro, near Sheffield, before the 1st of the month.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Clifton Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Bells open from 2.30. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Will all those requiring tea please let me hear not later than Saturday, Nov. 27th?—Edith Smith, 12, Auburn Road, Redland, Bristol.

**BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the above will be held at Horbury on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Ringing to commence at 3 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. Geo. Hunt, Northgate, Horbury, by Dec. 2nd.—A. Panther, Sec. (*pro tem.*).

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. George's, Hyde, on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Service 4.30.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-East Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Tiver-

ton, on Saturday, Dec. 8th. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Short service at 4.45. Tea (1/6) in the Church House at 5.15. Will those requiring tea please notify me before Dec. 8th?—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Yorktown on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Gentlemen cordially invited. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, Dec. 7th.—H. F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells ready at 3. Tea and meeting at 5.30.—Members intending to be present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Chatham, on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available from 3 to 9. Short service at 5 followed by business meeting in the vestry.—Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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#### COLLEGE YOUTHS' BANQUET.

had with them the Rectors of St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Dunstan's, Stepney, and Probandary Isaacs, Vicar of Cripplegate. They much appreciated their presence, which they looked upon as a great encouragement.

The Rev. J. H. Ellison (St. Michael's), who replied, referred to the fact that Mr. E. Horrex, although 82 years of age, was still tower-keeper at his church, and the church authorities and the ringers held him in high regard and respect (applause). At St. Michael's they were anxious to do all they could to consult the comfort and convenience of the ringers, and he felt more and more that their Church could not get on without its ringers, for they were as important as any other body of people connected with the services. The question of the city churches had been mentioned by the Master, and he need hardly say how profoundly he felt with the speaker when he said he hoped ringers would rally round any reasonable scheme for preserving those churches. A great deal of thought had been given to the matter, and he believed a reasonable scheme was afoot by which they would be able to keep these churches (applause). If that was the case, he hoped all ringers would do their best to rally round the scheme. One of the saddest things about the report of the Commission was, he thought, their advice that in certain cases—one was that of his own church—the church should be pulled down and only the tower left. He did not think many ringers would care to go ringing at a tower where the church had been taken away (hear, hear). One of their bells bore the inscription: 'To prayers we call St. Michael's people all.' If they pulled down the church they should take down that bell, or at all events remove the inscription (applause). With regard to the Master's appeal to the clergy to get to know how to ring, he (the speaker) when he was at Kensington, just learnt to ring a bell in call changes, and he had always been ashamed of himself that he had not gone further with it, for the more he heard the bells the more it seemed to him a perfectly wonderful art (applause).

Mr. Albert Walker submitted 'The Press,' and urged the vital importance to the Exercise of maintaining a paper devoted to its interests. He appealed to all ringers for a wider support of 'The



'Ringing World,' remarking that the better its circulation the better would be the production in the interests of ringers. He coupled with the toast the name of the Editor, whose health was drunk with musical honours.

Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, having thanked the company for their warm-hearted reception, referred to the difficulties which still faced the production of a journal devoted to the interests of a comparatively limited circle, and appealed to ringers throughout the country to use their best efforts to extend the sale of the paper. The journal had been carried on throughout the dark days of the war in the interests of the Exercise, without pecuniary gain, and it was now up to the Exercise to see that it was re-established in such a position as to relieve him from anxiety as to its future (applause).

The musical programme was very enjoyable. In addition to the course of Stedman Cinques previously referred to, Mr. Percy Judd sang 'The Bell Ringer,' and Mr. W. H. Judd fairly 'brought down the house' with his 'Ringing Reminiscences,' which was composed of verses of a topical nature. He had to give an encore. Mr. H. W. J. Jeffries rendered 'I'll sing thee songs of Araby.' Mr. Francis Clark gave handbell solos, with bells arranged upon a table, and Mr. Cyril Johnston brought the programme to a close with selections tapped upon handbells. The exceedingly pleasant evening terminated with a vote of thanks to the accompanist and 'Auld Lang Syne.'

#### DEVON GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Exeter District Branch of the Devon Guild was held at St. Sidwell's Institute, Exeter, on October 30th, preceded by a tea, at which about 36 members, including the Rev. E. S. Powell (hon. secretary of the Guild) and the Rev. H. Clarke (Clyst Houlton), were present.

The report showed steady progress, and the revival of ringing with the bands in union, with an addition of three associate bands joining during the year and proving that the older bands helping neighbouring towers had increased the strength of the branch.—A very creditable balance in the hands of the treasurer was also reported.

The officers were elected as follows: Mr. E. Shepherd (chairman), Mr. W. J. Southwood, secretary and treasurer, with the assistance of Mr. Joke, Mr. F. J. Davey having resigned the secretaryship.

The next quarterly meeting is to be held at Todbarn, in January. Various towers were visited by the bands, and some very good ringing accomplished.

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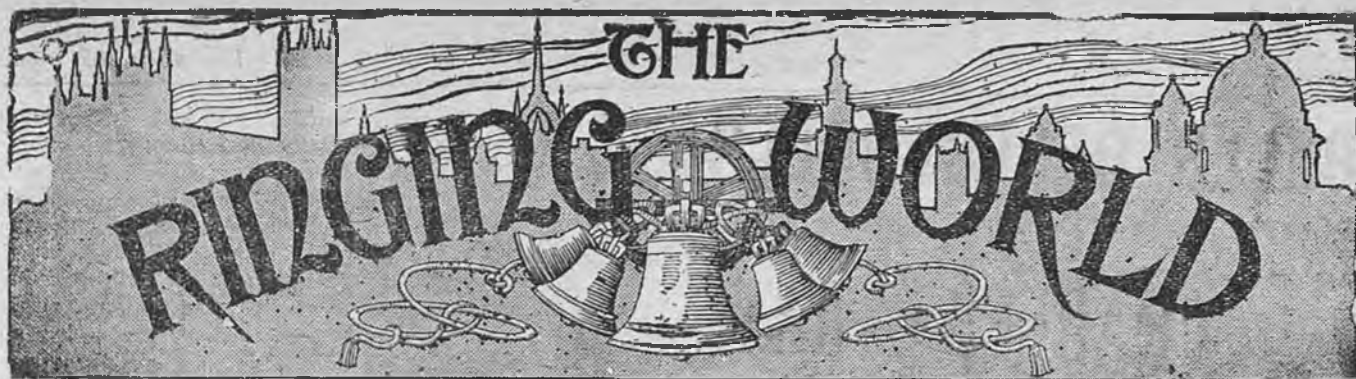
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One of the advantages which bell ringing has over most other forms of exercise is that there appears to be no limit to the age at which one may indulge in it. This has been commented upon many times, but it is once more called to mind by the fact that Mr. William Rock Small, one of the pillars of ringing in the Midlands, celebrated his eighty-first birthday by taking part in a peal. Even this is not a record, for we know that Mr. Ted Horrox, the 'father' of the College Youths, rang a peal at an age more advanced by a year. Then, too, Mr. John Heathorn, of Guildford, probably the oldest living ringer, who is now close upon a hundred, was able to ring in a short teach when well over ninety. Compared with such as these, a peal ringer anywhere under the age of seventy is a mere youth; but nevertheless such a performance as that accomplished by Mr. James George last Saturday, when he scored his one hundredth peal of Stedman Cinques by ringing the 41 cwt. tenor at St. Michael's, Cornhill, is no mean achievement. Many ringers have lived to a ripe old age, but we imagine there are few who have rung a bell of that weight to a peal at Mr. George's age.

Going to the other end of the scale, bell ringing can be practised by mere boys, and although it is not wise that youth should be tried beyond its strength, yet light bells that go well offer no obstacle to peal ringing by ringers of twelve years and upwards. The advance of the young people is an evolution of recent years, for in the days of our fathers the facilities given to youth were very limited. Indeed, it was the privilege of beginners in those days to watch others practise. To-day every effort is made to bring out all those who show any aptitude for the art, and a striking example of what youth may now do is the performance of Robert Fardon, the son of a ringer, whose first peal was the Stedman Cinques above referred to.

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On Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN-THE-MARTYR,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

RAYMOND J. WILKINS... .. Treble	HENRY PRING ... .. 6
PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... .. 2	WILLIAM KNIGHT ... .. 7
ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. 3	GEORGE CONDIC, SEN. ... .. 8
EDWIN J. RIDLER... .. 4	JOHN A. BURFORD ... .. 9
RICHARD CLARK ... .. 5	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by JOHN A. BURFORD.

Rung on the eve of the 300th anniversary of the granting of a charter to the Ancient Society of St. Stephen's ringers.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES;**

CHARLES BOWER ... .. Treble	HARRY CHAPMAN... .. 6
WILLIAM BRAMMER ... .. 2	SAMUEL BOOTH ... .. 7
HARRY HEAP ... .. 3	ALBERT ADAMS ... .. 8
JOSEPH MELLOR ... .. 4	BENJAMIN THORP... .. 9
SAMUEL WOOD ... .. 5	THOMAS JACKSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late HENRY HALEY.

Conducted by BENJAMIN THORP.

WROTHAM, KENT.—On Sunday morning, Sept. 25th, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, 1,280 changes (A. J. Perkins), in 52 mins.: J. Avis, R. Copelin, G. R. Ambrose, J. Burles, J. A. Hayes, G. Morrad, F. Hayes, F. M. Mitchell (conductor). The ringers were kindly motored out from Milton-next-Gravesend by Mr. R. Copelin, to whom they tender their thanks.

NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT.—On Sept. 26th, for Mating and as a farewell to Miss Kitty Smith (of the Royal Cumberlands), who has spent a fortnight's holiday in Newport, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 49 mins.: W. Scott, senr., 1, J. Bacon (first quarter-peal) 2, W. Johnson 3, Miss Kitty Smith (first quarter-peal on an inside bell) 4, A. Callaway 5, A. Phillips 6, W. Upton (conductor) 7, J. Leal 8. This is the first quarter-peal that a lady has taken part in on the bells.



**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5017 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30½ cwt.	
MISS HILDA WILLSON ... .. Treble	MAJOR J. H. B. HESSE ... 6
WILLIAM WILLSON ... .. 2	WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... 7
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 3	HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 8
JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 4	EDWARD READER ... .. 9
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 5	AMOS TRIPPIER ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by EDWARD READER.

Messrs. Hesse and Weatherby, who hail from Surrey and Shropshire respectively, were elected life members before starting. Ringers of 1, 2, 3 and 5 hail from Leicester, Harry Chapman and Councillor Trippier from Manchester. The company was afterwards entertained by Messrs. Taylor at the Bell Foundry.

**REIGATE, SURREY.**  
**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. RICE ... 6
HENRY F. EWINS ... .. 2	ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 7
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 3	JOHN WHITE ... .. 8
WILLIAM BEESON, JUN. ... 4	FRANCIS T. HOAD ... .. 9
WALTER CLAYDON ... .. 5	GEORGE F. HOAD ... .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM H. BARBER. Conducted by G. F. HOAD.

Rung to commemorate the centenary of a peal of Grandsire Triples rung on Nov. 22nd, 1820, by a Reigate Society; also the 136th anniversary of 5152 Bob Major, rung on Nov. 22nd, 1784, by the Society of College Youths, called by John Povey, at the opening of the new peal of bells.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

**WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

HARRY HALL ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. FINCH ... 5
FRANK L. FISHER ... .. 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 6
EDWARD JENKINS ... .. 3	ALFRED H. WATSON ... 7
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 4	CHARLES E. FISHER ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by E. JENKINS.

**TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.**

On Friday, Nov. 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.	
JOHN CARTER ... .. Treble	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 5
WILLIAM ROCK SMALL ... 2	BERT HORTON ... .. 6
ALFRED ROWLEY ... .. 3	JAMES E. GROVES ... .. 7
BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. 4	BENJAMIN FULLWOOD ... Tenor

Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

This peal was specially arranged and rung to celebrate the 81st birthday of Mr. William Rock Small, who rang throughout the excellently well struck peal without a mistake or a trip.

**SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S No. 1. Tenor 15 cwt.	
*JOHN AMELER ... .. Treble	JAMES R. KEMP ... .. 5
THOMAS B. KENDALL ... 2	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... .. 6
*ERNEST SIMPSON ... .. 3	PERCY J. JOHNSON ... 7
*GEORGE ROBINSON ... .. 4	*ROBERT BURNAM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

\* First peal of Stedman.

**ROTHWELL, YORKS.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.  
 Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM B. SMITH ... .. Treble	WILLIAM E. H. ASH ... 5
*GEORGE HUNT ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. DIXON ... 6
ARTHUR WALKER ... .. 3	FRANCIS BARKER ... .. 7
HARRY WALTERS ... .. 4	GEORGE W. STEEL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK W. DIXON.

First peal of Stedman on the bells. \* First peal in the method. The ringers of the treble and 6th hail from Guiseley, 2nd from Horbury, 3rd and 4th from Pontefract, 5th and 7th from Leeds, and tenor the local company.

**AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 20 cwt.	
JAMES RAMPLEY ... .. Treble	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 5
ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 2	BEN S. THOMPSON ... .. 6
WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 3	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. 7
*JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. 4	FRED J. HOWCHIN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the full combination of 4-5-6 in 5-6 with 2 singles only. First peal in the method on the bells. \* First peal 'inside' in this method.

**TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART REVERSED. Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.	
ROBERT ALLRED, JUN. ... Treble	HERBERT ALLRED ... .. 5
HARRY ALLRED ... .. 2	THOMAS ALLRED ... .. 6
HENRY SMITH ... .. 3	ROBERT ALLRED, SEN. ... 7
WILLIAM BLACKLEDGE ... 4	WILLIAM SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT ALLRED.

Rung on the occasion of the dedication of a memorial chapel erected in memory of the 73 parishioners who lost their lives in the war, also upon the retirement of the Vicar, Rev. J. Lund, after 36 years' faithful service.

**KINVER, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
 (NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. Treble	JOHN BASS ... .. 5
WILLIAM SHORT ... .. 2	JOHN SMITH ... .. 6
ROBERT MATHEWS ... .. 3	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY ... 7
ERNEST J. BROOKS ... .. 4	HERBERT F. LEE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES H. WOODBERRY.

First peal on the bells. Great credit is due to the tenor man (one of the local ringers) for the way he rang his bell, it being his first peal and first attempt. He was elected a member of the Association before starting.

**ALVECHURCH, WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
 (NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt. in F.	
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... Treble	HARRY BRAGG ... .. 5
ROBERT H. HATINGS ... .. 2	ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 6
VICTOR G. H. HEMUS ... .. 3	ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... .. 7
JOHN EATON ... .. 4	GEORGE PIGOTT ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by G. PIGOTT.

This peal is believed to be the only one rung at Alvechurch during the last quarter of a century.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

SELWORTHY.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven 720's.

Tenor 16 cwt.

H. L. ARSCOTT ... .. Treble	F. C. ARSCOTT ... .. 4
W. HOYLE ... .. 2	F. G. ARSCOTT ... .. 5
H. J. ARSCOTT ... .. 3	G. ATKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. ATKINS.

Rung as a thankoffering for the harvest.

EAST HARLING, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently.

Tenor 11 cwt.

*THOMAS STAGG ... .. Treble	WILLIAM EVERSETT ... .. 4
EDGAR HUNT ... .. 2	CHARLES CARTER ... .. 5
HERBERT H. MASON ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. ADCOCK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. ADCOCK.

\* First peal.

WINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Oct. 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's called differently.

Tenor 14 cwt.

JAMES BARBER ... .. Treble	GEORGE FILBY ... .. 4
*CORNELIUS FILBY ... .. 2	GEORGE HOWARD ... .. 5
*HARRY ALDOUS ... .. 3	JACOB FILBY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JACOB FILBY.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells.

WATH-ON-DEARNE, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN DIVISION.)

On Monday, Nov. 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being 720 each of City Delight, Arnold's Victory, College Pleasure,  
London Scholar's Pleasure, Duke of York, Violet and Oxford.

Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM BRAMHAM ... .. Treble	THOMAS HILTON ... .. 4
WILLIAM WOODCOCK ... .. 2	ARTHUR GILL ... .. 5
ARTHUR PANTHER ... .. 3	ROBERT J. RICKETTS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. PANTHER.

Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a last token of respect to Mr.  
J. H. Holling, for many years Vicar's Warden, who was interred at  
Wath on the above date.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Nov. 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Parish Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent  
Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

JOHN AVIS ... .. Treble	GEORGE MORRARD ... .. 4
FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... .. 2	FREDERICK HAYES ... .. 5
GUY R. AMBROSE ... .. 3	CLER. SGT. J. BENNETT, R. M. Tenor

Conducted by SERGT. JAMES BENNETT.

First peal as conductor in seven methods. A birthday peal for the  
ringer of the 3rd, who entertained the ringers after the peal, and for  
Mrs. Fred Hayes; also a wedding peal for Harry Argent, Secretary  
of the Milton band, who was married to Miss Violet Eve on October  
30th, this being the first available day for a peal attempt.HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.—At the Church of St. John the Bap-  
tist, on Sunday, Oct. 17th., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1260  
changes), in 55 mins.: G. Gutteridge 1, W. Henley 2, Miss N. Wil-  
liams 3, R. A. Fardon 4, H. P. James 5, E. T. Hooper 6, E. Hancock  
(conductor) 7, P. Jones 8, H. Chandler 9, W. Honor 10. First quarter  
of Caters by ringers of 4 and 5.

BROMHAM, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Owen.**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being 720 each of York and Cambridge Surprise College Exercise,  
London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.  
Tenor 13 cwt. in E.

RICHARD KENDALL ... .. Treble	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 4
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 2	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 5
HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. 3	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

HERNE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(CANTERBURY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being three 720's of Kent Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob  
each called differently.

Tenor 17 cwt.

HARRISON SMITH ... .. Treble	CLARENCE HADLOW ... .. 4
SIDNEY WALTER ... .. 2	STANLEY WHITE ... .. 5
JABEZ WALTER ... .. 3	ERNEST SLINGSBY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by STANLEY WHITE.

The ringer of the 4th belongs to the local band, the tenor to Sturry  
and the remainder to Wickhambreaux. First peal on the bells.

ALDEBURGH-ON-SEA, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble  
Bob, Oxford Bob, and two 720's of Plain Bob called differently.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*LEONARD W. HEMBLING ... .. Treble	FREDERICK J. SMITH ... .. 4
ALBERT J. LINCOLN ... .. 2	GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 5
GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... .. 3	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

Arranged and rung as a Peace peal to the Borough of Aldeburgh.

\* First peal in six methods.

MARKET DEBBING, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

AND PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Guthlac,**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent  
Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford and Plain Bob.

Tenor 16 cwt.

PHYLLIS HARE ... .. Treble	GEORGE H. BARKER ... .. 4
*TOM TEBBUTT ... .. 2	FRANK ROWLINSON ... .. 5
HORACE M. DAY ... .. 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

The conductor's 250th peal. \* First peal in seven methods.

ALLESLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

(THE ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being 720 each of Grandsire, Canterbury Pleasure and Oxford Treble  
Bob, and two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

FRED GARDNER ... .. Treble	JOHN TAYLOR ... .. 4
HARRY O. WHITE ... .. 2	CHARLES AYLETT ... .. 5
HUBERT SUMMERS ... .. 3	JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. W. WHITE.

First peal in five methods on the bells, and by all the band; also  
the first for the Guild by resident members. Rung for the anniversary  
of the founding of the All Saints' Society.

PARBOLD, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven differently called 720's. Tenor 12 cwt.

*ALBERT NORRIS ... .. Treble	JOHN BOOTH ... .. 4
*THOMAS HART ... .. 2	JAMES GROUNDS ... .. 5
JOHN H. GARTSIDE, JUN. ... 3	FRED RIGBY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRED RIGBY.

This is the first peal on the bells and was rung at the first attempt. The ringers of treble and 2nd are local men, 4 and 5 from Standish, 3rd and tenor from Chorley. \* First peal.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Nov. 12, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT 97, EDENBRIDGE ROAD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DATERS, 5093 CHANGES;**

*WALTER J. BOWDEN ... .. 1-2	JOHN THOMAS ... .. 5-6
MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... 3-4	WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 7-8
*EDWARD H. KING ... .. 9-10	

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Parker. \* First peal in the method.

GESTINGTHORPE, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Nov. 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT 'THE LION,'

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob.

GEORGE PANNEL ... .. 1-2	SIDNEY HALE ... .. 3-4
OLAVE BROYD ... .. 5-6	

Conducted by OLAVE BROYD. Witness: E. TURNER.

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by the Performer

Umpire: GEORGE THOMPSON.

Witnesses: GEORGE JORDAN and WILLIAM BODD.

MONKSEATON, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE NORTH FARM,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

JAMES E. GOFTON ... .. 1-2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 5-6
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 3-4	R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 7-8

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by J. A. GOFTON.  
Umpire: S. W. STRATFORD.

**SALOP GUILD.**

On Saturday, November 13th, a quarterly meeting was held at Shifnal, Salop, fifteen members being present, including Mr. M. W. Wilde, of Chester. A short service was held in the tower, at which the secretary, the Rev. F. Tennison, officiated. Afterward, touches of Grandsire Triples, Bob Minor and Major, and several other methods were rung.

A 720 of Grandsire Triples was rung by J. Bradney, J. E. Lilley, G. R. Lilley, F. Male, H. W. Wilde, A. Shuker, senr., W. Saunders, and A. Shuker, junr. This was the first touch of Grandsire Triples by J. E. Lilley, who is only 12 years of age. Tea was provided in the Church Army Hut, and a short meeting followed, at which two new members were elected. It was decided to hold the next monthly meeting at Wroxeter on January 8th.

The meeting over, members returned to the tower, and Keit Treble Bob and several other methods were rung.

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### BELFRY GOSSIP.

The first peal with four Georges, that is, boasting of the surname of George, was rung at Eastwood the other day, and they included James the first and James the second.

There is no age limit for a ringer. When 13 years old, Mr. Arthur Lorkin, of Somersfield Cottage, Reigate, with other young ringers, rang on the bells of St. Nicholas' Church, Witham, Essex, a plain course of 60 changes four times over with the bells half-muffled, on the occasion of the death of the late Prince Consort, in 1862. Mr. Henry Sayers was the leader. He has now passed away, and Mr. Lorkin believes he is the only one left of the little band. He is now in his 71st year, as fit as a fiddle, and can ring Reigate's tenor of 20 cwt. in a quarter-peal. Should any of Essex ringers recognise his name, Witham being his native home, he would be pleased to communicate with them.

The dedication and opening of the new treble at St. George's, Bristol, will take place on Saturday, the 11th inst.

The Rev. A. T. Beeston, who is hon. secretary of the Chester Diocesan Guild, has just completed 25 years' service at the Church of St. James, New Mills, and has been presented by the parishioners with a wallet containing a cheque for 120 guineas and a list of subscribers. Warm tributes were paid to Mr. Beeston's devoted labours and earnest ministries in the parish.

Mr. William H. George, of Eastleigh, who recently resigned the office of secretary of the Winchester District of the Winchester Guild, is, we regret to learn, ill, suffering from dysentery.

We have received a large number of communications on the subject of charging for the insertion of peals, and shall give a selection of views next week.

### OXFORD UNIVERSITY GUILD. ATTEMPT AT REVIVAL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The Oxford University Society of Change Ringers ceased its activities some time before the war, and five members of the University now in residence are attempting to revive the society.

Through the medium of your valuable paper, we appeal to all former members to furnish us with any information which may be useful in re-establishing the society on its former basis. Information concerning the whereabouts of the society's books, or of the rules adopted by the society, would be of great value.

We think that the present time, when the University is so crowded with students from all quarters, gives us a splendid opportunity of increasing the numbers of those who delight in the Exercise, and we should be very grateful to anyone who, by supplying us with the required particulars, would assist us in re-infusing the society with its former vigour. Information should be addressed to:—

R. E. HAYARD.

Keble College, Oxford.

Hon. Sec., O.U.S.C.R.

### NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Saxmundham District was held at Rendham on Saturday last, when upwards of 40 members attended from Kelsale, Saxmundham, Leiston, Benhall, Blaxhall, Henhams, Badingham, Debenham, Framlingham, Earl Soham, Bedfield, Sweffling, and the local band. The bells of the Parish Church and of Sweffling were placed at the disposal of the members, and were freely made use of in the various Minor methods, from Plain Bob to London Surprise.

A short business meeting was held in the Church House, Mr. W. Drew, of Kelsale, presiding.—One performing member and one probationer were elected.

As these gatherings seem to be very popular it was decided that the next meeting be held at Peasenhall in the early spring.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar of Rendham and the Rector of Sweffling for the use of the bells brought a very successful meeting to a close.

### BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the above association was held at Darfield on Saturday, Nov. 6th, the following towers being represented: Wath, Horbury, Wragby, Etkirk, and Wortley. At the brief business meeting, the Vicar (the Rev. E. Langley) presided, and seven new members were elected.—The Vicar gave a short address, for which he was accorded a hearty vote of thanks, and also for the use of the bells.—The bells were kept going during the evening to touches of Plain Bob Minor, Oxford Treble Bob, Violet, London Scholars' Pleasure, Darfield Delights, Ringers' Delight, Woodcock's Delight, etc.

### THE DOUBLE-HANDED LONDON.

Mr. W. Keeble writes to congratulate the brothers Goston upon their success in ringing the double-handed peal of London Surprise. The first handbell peal of London was rung on January 26th, 1904, and the last, before the peal at Monkseaton, on August 14th, 1904, by the three brothers, Messrs. G. R., W. and E. Eye and Mr. W. Keeble. Mr. Keeble hopes the Goston brothers will go for a silent double-handed peal of London which, he says, would take some beating.



**100 PEALS OF STEDMAN CINQUES.****MR. JAMES GEORGE'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.**

Sixty-seven years young on Saturday last, Mr. James George, of Birmingham, fittingly celebrated the event by ringing at St. Michael's, Cornhill, his one hundredth peal of Stedman Cinques. This is a memorable performance, and the ringers who have done this can be counted on the fingers of one hand. The peal was rung under the auspices of the Middlesex Association, and another noteworthy feature was the fact that it was the first attempt for a peal of any kind by Robert A. Fardon, the 16-year-old son of Mr. George R. Fardon, who also took part in the ringing, and who, naturally, had good reason to be proud of his son's achievement.

After the peal, the band were entertained to dinner by Mr. George at the Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate; the company also including Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Goldsmith and Miss Goldsmith (of Woking), and Mr. E. Horrex, the steeplekeeper of St. Michael's. Mr. A. P. Smith (St. Martin's, Guild, Birmingham) and Mr. A. H. Pulking (Guildford) were unfortunately prevented from attending. The party enjoyed a most excellent meal, under the genial chairmanship of their host, and during the evening a telegram was received from Wednesbury conveying congratulations to Mr. George, and announcing the success of a birthday peal in that tower.

Mr. C. T. Coles (hon. secretary of the Middlesex Association) proposed the 'Health of Mr. James George,' and on behalf of the company, extended to him hearty congratulations upon his 67th birthday, and wished him 'many happy returns.' They all knew what Mr. George had done in his ringing career, and he had that night added further to his laurels by ringing his one hundredth peal of Stedman Cinques—a performance of which he might be justifiably proud. Mr. Coles also congratulated Mr. R. Fardon upon having rung for his first peal, a peal of Stedman Cinques. He had rung excellently, and though he had achieved success with the Middlesex Association, great credit was due to the College Youths who had brought him out. They were, he added, very pleased to see with them that night Mr. Horrex, to whom they were indebted for the excellent 'go' of the bells.

The toast was heartily drunk, and Mr. George, in replying, specially thanked Mr. Horrex for his kindness. He said the tenor did go really splendidly, and it made his job a really simple one. He was sure he could have rung it for 20 hours (laughter and applause). Mr. George proceeded that he was very pleased to see Mrs. and Miss Goldsmith with them, and all the rest of the company, and he thanked them for gathering to celebrate his 100th peal of Stedman Cinques. He was very glad to say the peal at Wednesbury had also been successful, and he believed other peals were being attempted elsewhere, including one at Lewes, Sussex. He thanked Mr. Pye for his great kindness in arranging and calling the peal at Cornhill. They had rung a great many peals together, and he hoped they would ring a great many more (applause). That was his (Mr. George's) 681st peal, but he had got his peal book ready for 3,000, and he hoped he would ring them (laughter). He did not feel a bit like being in his declining years yet, and while many men were old at fifty, it did not seem to him that he would be old at 120 (laughter). He really felt as if he were just starting life (hear, hear). He had now rung 114 twelve bell peals, and he thought he held a record for the number of towers he had rung twelve bell peals in. He did not beat Mr. William Pye by many, but he believed he was two or three ahead. He congratulated Mr. Fardon, junr., upon his first peal being a peal of Cinques, and hoped he would ring as many twelve bell peals as he (the speaker) had. Mr. George added that he loved bells, he loved peal ringing, and he hoped to live another fifty years to ring them (laughter and applause).

Mr. Horrex acknowledged the thanks that had been accorded him. Since he had been steeplekeeper at St. Michael's he had done his best to have the bells go as well as possible. It did not matter who the band was that came (here they would always find it the same as long as he was steeplekeeper (applause). He was afraid, however, he would not be steeplekeeper when Mr. George rang his 200th peal of Stedman Cinques (laughter).

If the company present boasted of some excellent ringers, they were extremely shy of displaying their powers as vocalists, and the veteran of 82 years had to give the lead. Mr. George Fardon also sang, and one of the guests read some topical verse dealing with the occasion, which caused considerable amusement.

The happy proceedings terminated at eleven o'clock, with a cordial vote of thanks to Mr. George for his kind hospitality.

The birthday was also celebrated at Wednesbury, Staffs, where it had been proposed to attempt a special composition of 5067 Stedman Caters. Owing, however, to meeting short, Triples had to be rung. Arrangements had previously been made by Mr. George to entertain the band after the peal, and they enjoyed a sumptuous meal at the ringers' hotel. Mr. George's health was drunk, and a pleasant evening spent.

At Southover, Lewes, a peal of Grandairs Caters, composed by Mr. George, was rung for the event, and two handbell peals earlier in the week at Guildford, in which Mr. George participated, were also in connection with his birthday celebration.

Mr. George's 12-bell peals number 114 out of his total of 681, and are made up as follows:—

	Tower Bells.	Handbells	Total.
Grandairs Cinques .....	3	—	3
Stedman Cinques .....	85	15	100
Grandairs Maximus .....	1	—	1
Kent Treble Bob Maximus ...	9	—	9
Forward Maximus .....	1	—	1
	99	15	114

The Treble Bob Maximus includes the 12,240 record at Ashton-under-Lyne in 8 hours and 39 minutes, in which Mr. George rang the tenor; indeed he has been found at the heavy end in most of these peals.

No other ringer has rung twelve bell peals in so many towers as Mr. George, and the interesting list of 22 is as follows:—St. Michael and All Angels, Ashton-under-Lyne; St. Martin, Birmingham; St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol; Waterloo Tower, Quex Park; St. Mary's, Cathedral, Chelmsford; St. John the Baptist, Halifax; St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich; St. Michael, Cornhill; St. Giles, Cripplegate; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside; St. Saviour, Southwark; St. Leonard, Shoreditch, London; St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich; Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford; St. Mary, Painswick; St. Chad, Shrewsbury; St. Peter's Cathedral, Sheffield; Christ Church, West Bromwich; St. Peter, Wolverhampton; St. Lawrence, Waltham Abbey; The Cathedral, Worcester; and St. Nicholas Cathedral, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**LADIES' GUILD.****NEW DISTRICT FORMED.**

At a meeting of the Ladies' Guild at Isham, Northants, on Saturday, November 20th, a new district was formed, which will be called the Northamptonshire District. A good number of ringers attended, and ringing took place during the afternoon and evening. The Rev. E. J. Atkins conducted a short service, and gave an address, Mrs. Atkins kindly presiding at the organ. Tea was served in the Schoolroom, after which the meeting was held.

The Hon. Secretary of the Guild presided, and pointed out the advisability of forming a district, to enable members to keep in touch with one another.—Miss Cecil Hepburn, of Isham, was elected secretary for the district, and Miss K. Jutson (Peterborough), Miss Hall (Geddington) and Miss A. Deacon (Dorborough) were elected on the committee.—Miss Hepburn and Miss D. Atkins were put on the general committee.

It was decided to hold the next meeting in February, and the choice of a suitable tower was left to the secretary.

After the meeting some touches were rung on handbells.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.****NORTHERN DISTRICT MEETING.**

A very successful meeting of the Northern Division of the Essex Association was held at Halstead, on Saturday, Nov. 27th. A short service was held at St. Andrew's Parish Church. The Vicar (the Rev. T. H. Curling) officiated, and gave an appropriate address. The lesson was read by the Master of the Association (Mr. C. H. Howard). Tea and meeting followed in the Co-operative Hall. Mr. H. F. Cooper (District Master) presided, supported by the Vicar, the Master, Mr. B. Redgwell (district secretary), Mr. J. H. Shepherd (Swindon), Mr. W. H. Dyson (one of the few surviving founders of the association), Mr. L. Wiseman (Sible Hedingham), Mr. W. T. Elliott (Kelvedon), and over 40 members from the neighbouring towers.

Messrs. H. F. Cooper and B. Redgwell were re-elected District Master and Secretary respectively, and thanked for their past efficient services. Several new members and two non-resident members were elected.—It was unanimously decided to hold the next meeting at Kelvedon, where the fine and heavy ring of six are shortly to be rehanged.—The Master appealed to members, especially those who were favoured with bells in good ringing order, for support for the appeal of the Vicar of Finchingfield to rehang his ring of eight; also to give what assistance they could to Mr. W. T. Elliott, of Kelvedon, who is using his influence among his ringing friends for support to raise the necessary funds to rehang Kelvedon bells.

The bells were kept going until late in the evening, and some good touches in various methods were brought round.

**COMMEMORATION OF CAPTURE OF JERUSALEM.**

A meeting will be held at St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, E., on Thursday, December 9th, the third anniversary of the capture of Jerusalem, to unveil a peal board recording the peal rung by the band of ex-Service men on the second anniversary of the capture of the Holy City. The unveiling takes place at 7.30 p.m., ringing up to 9.30. All ringers welcome.—A. R. Macdonald, 64, Windsor Road, Ealing, W.5.

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**MEMORIAL BELLS AT EXHALL.****AN ARMISTICE DAY DEDICATION.**

On Thursday, Nov. 11th (Armistice Day), the Lord Bishop of Coventry dedicated, at the Church of St. Giles', three new bells which have been added to make a peal of six, as a memorial to the thirty-three men of the parish who fell in the war. The proceedings began with the processional hymn, 'In token that thou shalt not fear.' When the choir and clergy had reached their stalls, the Vicar (the Rev. C. Simmonds) recited the prayers. The 130th Psalm was sung and after the lesson the names of the thirty-three heroes were read by the Vicar, the congregation standing meanwhile. The choir and clergy then proceeded to the belfry, where the Bishop dedicated the new bells. Three buglers then sounded the 'Last Post' and the 'Reveille.' The bells were raised in peal by the ringers of All Saints', Allesley, and during the hymn, 'O God, our help in ages past,' the choir and clergy returned to the chancel. The Bishop delivered a short address, and at the conclusion of the service 120 Grandsire Doubles was rung: G. Gardner 1, H. Summers 2, J. H. White 3, F. Gardner 4, J. Taylor (conductor) 5, C. Aylett 6. Short touches of Bob Minor and Kent Treble Bob were brought round, and in the evening a peal of Bob Minor was rung by the same band.

The new bells gave satisfaction to all who heard them. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Mearns and Stainbank, and the tone and 'go' reflects great credit upon the firm.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

The annual meeting of the Lewisham District was held at St. Nicholas', Deptford, where the bells and those at St. Alfege, Greenwich, were at the disposal of the members, and touches on the eight and ten in various methods were accomplished.

Service was held at St. Nicholas' Church, and about sixty were present. The Rev. T. W. Pitman (Vicar) officiated, Mr. F. W. Thornton read the lesson, and the organist and a good sprinkling of the choir being present, the service was a very bright one. The Vicar gave an address, previous to which he extended to the members a hearty welcome to St. Nicholas.

After the service, the members adjourned to Christ Church Hall, where the Vicar and Mrs. Pitman had prepared a sumptuous tea, and a numerous band of ladies were present to look after the wants of the guests. At the conclusion of the tea, the Vicar thanked the ladies for their kindness, and called on Mr. G. Daynes, as foreman of the tower, to make a presentation from the ringers to one of the choristers for improvements carried out in the tower. This Mr. Daynes did briefly, and the gift was acknowledged by the recipient equally briefly, the Vicar afterwards saying he thought it must have been arranged between them as to which could say the least.

The business meeting followed in the adjoining room, the Vicar presiding. Four new members were elected, and one election in the tower previous to a peal confirmed.—Dartford was selected as the place of the quarterly meeting in January.

The District Secretary read his annual report, in which he stated that the meetings had been well attended. Forty-one peals had been rung, viz.: Grandsire Triples 21, Stedman Triples 7, Union Triples 3, Bob Major 2, College Major 1, Kent Treble Major 5, Double Norwich Major 1, and Stedman Caters 1. He thought it a great pity that peals in the higher methods were not rung, as there were the men in the district who could do it.—The report was accepted.

Mr. T. Groombridge, senr., was again unanimously re-elected district secretary.—Two district representatives had to be elected this year, and the following were nominated: Mr. W. J. Jeffries, the retiring representative, and Messrs. I. Emery and J. Wheaden. On a show of hands, Messrs. Jeffries and Emery were declared duly elected.

Mr. Thornton asked if any information could be given with regard to the war memorial. The District Secretary said he was not in a position to do so at that time, but a committee meeting was to be held, and it might be possible at the next meeting to make a statement. He suggested that a silver collection be made towards the fund; and this being approved a sum of £2 11s. 3d. resulted.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his address, the use of the hall, and for presiding; to the Vicar and Mrs. Pitman for providing such a splendid repast; to the organist, choir, and Mr. G. H. Daynes for their services; and to the Vicar of Greenwich for the use of the bells.—Rev. T. W. Pitman replied, and this concluded the business. The tower was again visited afterwards.

**PAIGNTON'S NEW BAND.**

Capital progress is being made by a band at Paignton, Devon. Under their instructor, Mr. F. T. Gover, of Torquay, they began change ringing this year, and scored their first 518 Grandsire Triples on November 17th: A. Reynolds 1, Mrs. F. T. Gover 2, T. Collings 3, J. Collings 4, C. Austen 5, F. T. Gover (conductor) 6, H. T. Hole 7, F. Parnell 8.

**NOTICES.**

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Manchester Town Hall on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Bells ready at 4. Subscriptions due. Reports ready.—W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Stoke on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Please notify me on or before Nov. 29 how many intend to be present from each tower.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent; J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Bletchley on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting at 4.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. Gear, Secretary, 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton Branch.—A special meeting will be held at Weston Favell on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Bells (5) ready 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. A good attendance is requested.—Sidney J. Lawrence, District Secretary, 7, Castilian Terrace, Northampton.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above for combined practice in Stedman and Treble Bob methods will be held at Folkestone on Saturday, Dec. 4th, to commence at 6 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Secretary.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The December meeting will be held at Rotherham on Saturday 4th. The bells (10) of the Parish Church will be open from 3 o'clock, also the eight bells of St. Stephen's will be available all the afternoon. A short service will be held in the Parish Church at 5 p.m. followed by tea in the Westgate Mission Hall at a nominal charge.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Clifton Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Bells open from 2.30. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting.—Edith Smith, 12, Auburn Road, Redland, Bristol.

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the above will be held at Horbury on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Ringing to commence at 3 p.m.—A. Panther, Sec. (*pro tem.*).

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. George's, Hyde, on Saturday, Dec. 4th. Service 4.30.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-East Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Tiverton, on Saturday, Dec. 8th. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Short service at 4.45. Tea (1/6) in the Church House at 5.15. Will those requiring tea please notify me before Dec. 8th?—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Fordington, Dorchester, on Thursday, Dec. 9th. Bells from 2.30. Guild Service 4.30, followed by tea (kindly provided) and



meeting. St. Peter's (8) also available for limited time. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—The subscription of 1/8, which entitles members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on Dec. 9th and 23rd; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 14th; Southwark Cathedral on the 27th, and \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 28th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**LADIES' GUILD**.—Southern District. — A quarterly meeting will be held at Yorktown on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Gentlemen cordially invited. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, Dec. 7th.—H. F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells ready at 3. Tea and meeting at 5.30.—Members intending to be present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Chatham, on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available from 3 to 9. Short service at 5 followed by business meeting in the vestry.—Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Western District.—A meeting for practice will be held at Dewsbury Parish Church, Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available 5 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—P. L. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 12, Willoughby Avenue, Holbeck.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—A District meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m., 1/- per head. Those intending to be present will oblige by notifying me by the 8th inst.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec. Western Division, 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—The Committee will meet at All Saints' Vestry, Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, on Saturday, Dec. 11th, at 5 o'clock. A representative from each tower should be present, and overdue subscriptions paid up. Ringing at Barnham at 7 p.m.—W. H. Fussell, Hon. Sec., Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD**.—S. and W. District. — A meeting will be held at Chiswick Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Tea will only be provided for those who advise me not later than Dec. 7th.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Wimborne Branch.—The Annual Branch meeting is to be held at Wimborne Minster on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available from 3. Service, with address by the Vicar, 4.15. Tea at 5 in Church House, followed by business meeting.—C. A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—A meeting will be held at Bridgewater on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Service in the Parish Church at 3 p.m. Business meeting to follow in the Vestry. Tea at Taylor's Restaur-

ant. Bells available all the afternoon.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**ST. GEORGE'S, BRISTOL EAST**.—The dedication and opening of two new trebles will take place on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells (6) available from 3 to 3.55. Service at 4. Tea (1/6) 5.20. Bells (8) then open to all visitors. Kindly notify early.—W. Stafford, Hon. Sec., 16, Queen's Road, St. George's, Bristol.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at Bekesbourne on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 in the Vicarage Room. Will all those intending to be present please notify me by Thursday, Dec. 9th?—E. G. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—Combined practice will be held on Thursday, December 16th, at St. Andrew's, Wells Street, W., from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—The Annual meeting of the North Forest Branch will be held at Newent on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Tea provided by the Rector at the Parish Room at 5.30. All ringers welcome.—Joseph Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., Newent, near Gloucester.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Rishton on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 18th, at Shore Parish Church. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**.—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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A special service is being held at St. Clement Danes Church, on Thursday next, December 9th, at 7.30 p.m., for Devonians in London. The Rector would like to get together a band of Devon ringers for the occasion, and Devonian ringers are asked to communicate at once with Mr. Taffender, 10, Northland Street, Canberwell, S.E.5.

**LONG STANTON**.—On Monday, Oct. 25th, 720 Oxford Bob: Rev. H. B. Woolley 1, L. A. Cook 2, F. J. Cook 3, W. Hawkes 4, G. Crisp 5, C. W. Cook (conductor) 6. Also 360 of the same, with Walter Hawkes (treble) and Rev. M. B. Woolley 4.—On Thursday, Oct. 28th, for practice, and Sunday, Oct. 31st, for Matins, touches of Single Court. 100 evensong, 720 Single Court, with Rev. H. B. Woolley (treble) and W. H. J. Hooton 4, the rest as before. First in the method on tower bells by W. H. J. Hooton. First in both methods by the local band.



**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****WESTERN BRANCH ANNUAL MEETING.**

A very successful meeting of the Western Branch was held at Malvern Link. The Vicar (the Rev. A. Day) conducted the ringers' service, and, in the course of an address, mentioned that the tower of his church had been built exactly 21 years. The church tower, he said, was not a mere symbol, it had its speaking voice, the bells. The silver trumpets of the Old Testament had given place to the bells of the churches of the New Covenant. Coming to the position of the ringers, the Vicar asked: 'Is your office in the belfry to amuse yourselves upon a set of musical instruments not very easy to control? I put it much higher. I claim the bells for Christ, and I claim for you a ministry—a lowly ministry if you will—in the ringing of the bells. Reverence your office, disdain it not, look up to it, and it shall uplift you in its exercise.'

After the service, the Vicar and ringers proceeded to the belfry, where a peal board was unveiled recording a peal of Double Norwich Major rung by the local band, the Vicar remarking that it would be a great incentive to others.—A course of the same method was then rung by the same band, standing in the same order.

After tea, at which about 40 were present, the business meeting was held, the Vicar presiding, supported by the Rev. F. C. Copeland, Rector of Madresfield.

It was decided to attempt the quarterly peal at Malvern Link, Mr. R. G. Knowles to be the conductor, and to hold the next quarterly meeting at Hallow.

Mr. W. O. Jones was elected Ringing Master; Mr. R. G. Knowles was re-elected secretary, and Mr. W. Page appointed to represent the branch on the Central Committee.

After votes of thanks the ringers returned to the tower, where the bells were rung to several methods, including Grandsire Doubles and Cambridge Surprise Major.

A collection resulted in 21 shillings being sent to the treasurer of the Ringers' Memorial Window Fund.

**BRISTOL.**—On Sunday, Oct. 24th, in 40 minutes, at the Church of SS. Philip and Jacob, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1267 changes): Miss A. M. Jordan 1, E. J. Brown (conductor) 2, S. Abrahams 3, Miss A. Brown 4, F. J. Porch 5, P. C. Williams 6, F. Tyler 7, \*D. Waterman 8. \* First quarter-peal.

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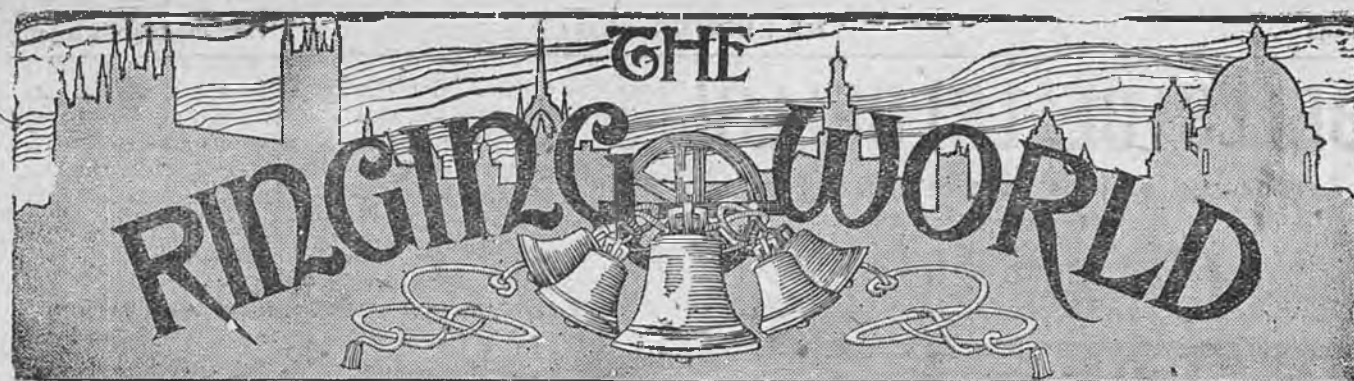
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## PROPOSED POWERS OF CHURCH COUNCILS.

In a letter in another column Canon Baker, of Dunstable, points out the powers which the National Assembly of the Church of England proposes to confer upon Parochial Church Councils. These powers include the right, in conjunction with the Incumbent, 'to appoint and dismiss the organist, parish clerk, bellringers, and sexton, or any persons performing or assisting to perform the duties thereof, and to determine the salaries and conditions of tenure of their offices.' Canon Baker points out further that these proposals have passed the 'second reading' stage of the Assembly, and when that body meets again in February next the 'Revision' or, as its Parliamentary equivalent would be called, 'Committee stage' will be taken. That stage, as everyone knows, is generally the last opportunity for detailed amendment that presents itself, and if the clause referred to is added to the measure on that occasion as it stands, then, for good or ill, the Parochial Church Councils will have the controlling voice over the ringers in every parish, a control which not only applies to appointment and dismissal, but, as the terms include, 'the conditions of tenure of their offices,' will probably direct the occasions when the ringers will be allowed to ring the bells.

It is in this respect that Canon Baker raises a warning note, and invites ringers, who wish to express an opinion on the clause, or who desire any amendment to it, to communicate with him. Canon Baker is the only member of the Central Council who is a member of the National Assembly, and he does the Exercise a great service in thus opportunely calling attention to the matter. The question is eminently one which the Central Council should deal with, but, of course, the Council will not meet again until the terms of the measure are settled and it will be too late to act. We think, however, that the Standing Committee of the Council should meet specially to discuss this vital question, and their decision would immeasurably strengthen Canon Baker's hands when the clause comes up for discussion in the Assembly. Reasoned personal opinions will help the Canon, but the voice of the Central Council's Executive would be of real weight. The subject is urgent and fraught with issues of the greatest importance to the Exercise. It is, therefore, one which demands a meeting of the Committee, and not a long-drawn-out discussion by correspondence. Why, as Canon Baker points out, the measure should differentiate between the ringers and the choir is difficult to see, and if it is felt that the proposal is not in the interests of the art of change ringing, here is strong ground for arguing for the omission of bell ringers

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from the clause. But the question needs careful study and discussion before action is taken, and for that and other reasons we hope the Standing Committee will be called together, with Canon Baker, to consider the matter in all its bearings.

### TEN BELL PEALS.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

FRED HOPPER ... .. Treble	HENRY KEY ... .. 6
FRED WILFORD ... .. 2	ALFRED KING ... .. 7
†JOHN METHERELL ... .. 3	†WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 8
†JOHN HENSMAN ... .. 4	†GEORGE FLAVEL ... .. 9
*GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 5	WILLIAM ALLEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES GEORGE. Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the daughter of the conductor. This composition is new rung for the first time. The ringer of the 5th bells from Finedon, 7th from Luton, the rest belong to Northampton. \* First peal on 10 bells. † First peal of Plain Bob Royal.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

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On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, CHELSEA,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24½ cwt.

*JOHN P. KENT ... .. Treble	*RALPH MACKRILL ... .. 6
*WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... .. 2	*JOHN B. HESSEY ... .. 7
HAROLD P. BURTON ... .. 3	*WILLIAM ESSERY ... .. 8
ERNEST A. REEVE ... .. 4	HARRY MANCE ... .. 9
ALFRED G. H. NEWMAN ... .. 5	*HARRY DIAS ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. T. ELSON. Conducted by H. MANCE.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters. Birthday compliment to J. B. Hessey.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS

BROMLEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Nov. 9, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

WALDER'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.

GEORGE F. JAMES ... .. Treble	GEORGE HUXLEY ... .. 5
GEORGE DURLING ... .. 2	ALFRED JAMES ... .. 6
EDMUND MOUNT ... .. 3	PERCY J. SPICE ... .. 7
JOHN LYDDIARD ... .. 4	ISAAC EMERY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE DURLING.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS.

Tenor 23 cwt. in E flat.

JOSEPH C. DEAN ... .. Treble	JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 5
HERBERT RAINBOW ... .. 2	WILLIAM FAREY ... .. 6
WILLIAM ATTERBURY ... .. 3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 7
HENRY BLUNDELL ... .. 4	WILLIAM G. FAREY, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. ALLEN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Alderman W. P. Hannon, of Northampton, whose funeral service took place at All Saints' (the Municipal Church of Northampton) on the above date, the Mayor and Corporation attending.



BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 13½ cwt.	
FRED CHAMBERS ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM E. WILSON ... ..	5
JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... ..	2	EMMANUEL DUTESON ... ..	6
JOHN SANDERSON ... ..	3	ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... ..	7
LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... ..	4	JOHN WATSON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

First peal in the method for ringers of 1st, 3rd and 4th. Rung to commemorate Armistice Day.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET'S,

A PEAL OF GUILDFORD SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

GEORGE BAILEY ... ..	Treble	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... ..	5
*ERNEST S. BAILEY ... ..	2	FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... ..	6
JAMES M. BAILEY ... ..	3	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... ..	7
JAMES G. RUMSEY ... ..	4	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method.

TODMORDEN, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE UNITARIAN CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT DAVENPORT ... ..	Treble	FRANK FIELDEN ... ..	5
WILLIAM CRABTREE ... ..	2	ALBERT CRAWLEY ... ..	6
JOHN NASH ... ..	3	*JAMES H. RIDING ... ..	7
RICHARD D. LANGFORD ... ..	4	EDMOND SCHOFIELD ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. RIDING.

\* 50th peal. First peal in the method as conductor. The ringers of the treble, 2nd, 3rd and 5th hail from Todmorden; 4th, 6th and 7th from Crewe; and tenor from Milnrow. First peal of Stedman on the bells. Mr. A. Crawley was elected a member previous to starting.

MARDEN, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... ..	Treble	FREDERICK S. MACEY ... ..	5
FREDERICK LAMBERT ... ..	2	*ALBERT RELFE ... ..	6
TOM SAUNDERS ... ..	3	*JAMES WAGHORN ... ..	7
*REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... ..	4	CHARLES H. SONE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN HORNE. Conducted by C. H. SONE.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Bob Major.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

CHARLES ABLITT ... ..	Treble	GEORGE W. ABLITT ... ..	5
GEORGE BENNETT ... ..	2	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... ..	6
GEORGE PRYKE ... ..	3	GEORGE FARNISH ... ..	7
ALBERT A. FLEMING ... ..	4	WILLIAM BURGESS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. REEVE. Conducted by WILLIAM BURGESS.

First peal as conductor.

DIBDEN, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Nov. 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM CHAMBERS ... ..	5
†REGINALD BROWN ... ..	2	*HARRY W. REEVES ... ..	6
†JOHN W. FAITHFUL ... ..	3	HERBERT PAYNE ... ..	7
*WILLIAM H. TUCKER ... ..	4	*OLLIVER A. W. GOLLOP ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Ringers of 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 are from St. Mary's, Southampton.  
\* First peal. † First peal of Triples.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Nov. 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

CLARLES ABLITT ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM BURGESS ... ..	5
GEORGE PRYKE ... ..	2	JOSEPH LAST ... ..	6
ALBERT A. FLEMING ... ..	3	GEORGE W. ABLITT ... ..	7
CHARLES W. PARKER ... ..	4	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... ..	Tenor

Composed by W. HARRISON.

Conducted by G. A. FLEMING.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Nov. 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

CECIL RADDON ... ..	Treble	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... ..	5
ISAAC G. SHADE ... ..	2	ALBERT W. COLES ... ..	6
GEORGE M. KILBY ... ..	3	HARRY KILBY ... ..	7
GEORGE R. PYE ... ..	4	REUBEN SANDERS ... ..	Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON.

Conducted by G. R. PYE.

This peal was rung to commemorate the 18th anniversary of the induction of the Rev. James Dixon as Vicar of Willesden; also as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

CHIDDINGSTONE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.

*CHARLES COOK ... ..	Treble	ALBERT LONGLEY ... ..	5
ARTHUR WILES ... ..	2	ERNEST EVEREST ... ..	6
*CHARLES AYLWARD ... ..	3	PERCY DENTON ... ..	7
GEORGE EDWARDS ... ..	4	HARRY SEAL ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST EVEREST.

This peal was arranged for Armistice day, but was unavoidably postponed to the above date, and rung in memory of those of the local band who fell in the great war. \* First peal.

EASTWOOD, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5248 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt. 21 lb. in E flat.

HENRY HARRISON ... ..	Treble	JAMES F. GEORGE ... ..	5
ALBERT H. WARD ... ..	2	HENRY GEORGE ... ..	6
WALTER TAYLOR ... ..	3	JAMES GEORGE ... ..	7
WILLIAM H. GEORGE ... ..	4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

This is the first peal rung with four ringers of the surname George taking part.

LONDON.—Middlesex County Association.—On Sunday, Nov. 21st, for evensong, at St. Giles', Cripplegate, 1311 Stedman Cinques: J. Armstrong 1, W. Pye 2, C. T. Coles (conductor) 3, A. R. Fardon (longest touch) 4, I. G. Shade 5, H. W. Clark 6, A. Mason 7, G. Fletcher 8, G. R. Fardon 9, A. W. Coles 10, R. Sanders 11, W. J. Nudds 12.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

OFFENHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores, with 10 different callings. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM KYTE ... .. Treble	CHARLES MACKENZIE ... 4
JAMES HEMMING ... .. 2	THOMAS MIDDLETON ... 5
JOSEPH PORTER ... .. 3	*WILLIAM SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by J. HEMMING.

\* First peal. Arranged for Joseph Porter, whose wish it was to ring a peal on the bells of the church of his native parish.

PECKLETON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

42 six-scores, with 10 different callings.

WILFRED BROTHWELL ... Treble	JAMES WILSON ... .. 4
DENNIS WOOD ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... 5
SAMUEL LOCKWOOD ... .. 3	EDWIN A. HALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. H. CLARKE.

First peal by 2nd, 3rd and tenor, who hail from Desford, Glenfield and, Peckleton, respectively, treble 4th and 5th belong to Knighton. The ringer of the 3rd was proposed a member of the M.C.A. before starting.

TODDINGTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, Nov. 7, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 1040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 six-scores, with 10 different callings. Tenor 7 cwt.

ALBERT PARKER ... .. Treble	JOSEPH HALL ... .. 4
ERNEST HARTWELL ... .. 2	JAMES HEMMING ... .. 5
GEORGE ASHLEY ... .. 3	LEONARD HARRISON ... Tenor

Conducted by G. ASHLEY.

This peal preceded a Memorial Service and the unveiling of a tablet in church by Lieut.-Col. Heyworth Savage, O.B.E., and the bells were rung half-muffled as a token of respect to those who had made the supreme sacrifice. First peal as conductor.

MADRESFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, Nov. 10, 1920, in Three Hours,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF S. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST E. BARBER ... Treble	FREDERICK STANTON ... 4
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 2	CHARLES CAMM ... .. 5
ERNEST GIBBS ... .. 3	ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT G. KNOWLES.

Rung on the 53rd anniversary of the consecration of this church.

STONY STRATFORD, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Thursday, Nov. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*ERNEST E. LINES ... Treble	WALTER W. BONHAM ... 4
*PERCY S. DEWICK ... .. 2	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS ... 5
EDWIN YATES ... .. 3	CECIL A. VALENTINE ... Tenor

Conducted by CECIL A. VALENTINE.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Miss N. E. Last, the eldest daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. H. Last, of Stony Stratford, to Mr. R. E. F. Courage, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Courage, of Hanslope Lodge.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Chester, Canterbury, Beverley, York, London, Wells and Cambridge. Tenor 18 cwt.

ALBERT J. GREEN ... Treble	MORACE H. SMITH ... 4
EDWIN YATES ... .. 2	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS ... 5
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 3	CECIL A. VALENTINE ... Tenor

Conducted by CECIL A. VALENTINE.

First peal of Surprise Minor on the bells. Arranged for E. J. Hobbs and H. H. Smith of Husborne Crawley, Beds, and rung as a birthday compliment to E. Yates and C. A. Valentine.

CHIGWELL ROW, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Beverley, Durham, York, Ipswich, London, Lincoln and Wells. Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM RICHES ... Treble	EDWARD SMITH ... 4
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... 2	JOHN MOBLE ... .. 5
ALFRED PRIOR ... .. 3	WILLIAM MILLER ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN MOBLE.

BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL (City).

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

*A. SMITH ... .. Treble	S. THOMAS ... .. 4
*W. GIST ... .. 2	J. R. JONES ... .. 5
*A. LAKE ... .. 3	H. G. TODBALL ... Tenor

Conducted by S. THOMAS.

\* First attempt for a peal. Rung to commemorate Colston's Day. The last peal rung on these bells was in January, 1891, and was also conducted by Mr. S. Thomas.

WOLLASTON, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

AMOS SMART ... Treble	ALBERT MINNEY ... 4
ARTHUR MINNEY ... .. 2	E. J. JONES ... .. 5
C. H. FAREY ... .. 3	A. STAPLETON ... Tenor

Conducted by C. H. FAREY.

First peal as conductor.

TIMBERSCOMBE, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. TETROCK,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

H. W. ARSCOTT ... Treble	H. TARKER ... .. 4
*J. FARMER ... .. 2	†F. C. ARSCOTT ... .. 5
W. YEANDLE ... .. 3	F. G. ARSCOTT ... Tenor

Conducted by F. C. ARSCOTT.

\* First peal. † First peal as conductor.

CHRISHALL, ESSEX.  
THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ICKLETON SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's of Oxford Bob and four 720's of Bob Minor.

*P. C. LUKE BROOKES ... Treble	FRANCES W. BOWTELL ... 4
*REGINALD CLEMENTS ... 2	ARTHUR G. LILLEY ... 5
PERCY WEBB ... .. 3	†FREDERICK GRIGGS ... Tenor

Conducted by P. WEBB.

First peal on the bells. The Vicar (Rev. — May) congratulated the ringers at the conclusion of the peal and kindly provided tea at the Vicarage. \* First peal. † First peal of Minor.

## BLUNSDON, WILTS.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

42 six-scores ten different callings. Tenor 6 cwt.

EDWIN HALL... .. Treble	WALTER TRUEMAN ... .. 4
ALBERT TRUEMAN ... .. 2	JOHN VINCENT ... .. 5
CHARLES GARDENER ... .. 3	HARRY WESTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. GARDENER.

Rung after the dedication of a lych gate, the Church War Memorial. First peal on the bells and by all except the conductor, who hails from Swindon, it being his first peal of Doubles. The rest are local ringers.

## GAYWOOD, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 720 of Worcester Treble Bob, three 720's of Kent and three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob.

FREDERICK MITCHELL... .. Treble	B. M. TARGETT ... .. 4
WILLIAM MITCHELL ... .. 2	TOM GREENACRE ... .. 5
WILLIAM ELDRED ... .. 3	GEO. HAWES... .. Tenor

Conducted by TOM GREENACRE.

First peal as conductor.

## A SHROPSHIRE RING REHUNG.

The bells at Stanton-on-Hine Heath, Shropshire, have just been rehung by Mr. J. E. Groves, of Birmingham, and on Sunday, Nov. 23th, a quarter-peal of Doubles (1260 changes), being 6½ six-scores of Grandsire and 4 six-scores of Plain Bob, were rung in 45 mins., by A. White 1, W. Clay 2, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 3, W. Lyoett 4, E. V. Rodenhurst 5, H. Edwards 6. Longest touch in two methods for ringers of 1, 2, 4 and 6, who are local ringers.

## GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,

On Thursday, Nov. 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one each of Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

ALFRED LINDSAY... .. Treble	FRANK CROFT ... .. 4
HERBERT E. DAY... .. 2	WILLIAM J. CROFT ... .. 5
GEORGE WOLFE ... .. 3	GEORGE CROFT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE CROFT.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. R. Croft, member of the local band, on his marriage to Miss Ida Cherry. First peal as conductor.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

HARWICH, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Nov. 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by the Performer.

Witnesses: GEORGE JORDAN.

## CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 13, 1920, in Two Hours and Eleven Minutes,

At TRINITY COLLEGE,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHRY (Trin.) 1-2	* W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 5-6
E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 3-4	B. F. SHEPPARD (Trin.) ... 7-8

Composed by W. HARRISON. Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

Umpire: H. G. BENSON.

\* First peal in the method on an inside pair.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

To-morrow is the date of the meeting of the Lancashire Association at Manchester Town Hall, and not the 4th inst., as advertised last week.

Mr. Matthew Ellsmore, of 7, Fearon Road, Portsmouth, asks if any ringer will be good enough to tell him if there are any peals of bells in Sydney, Australia, and will give the number of bells, and where? As an old ringer, and a 'Cumberland' for the past thirty-eight years, he would be extremely obliged for any information.

The advantage of striking while the iron's hot applies in ringing as in other pursuits. The Gofton family have scored their third peal of London Surprise on handbells, within about a month, and the third is almost as memorable as the first, for the trebles have been rung by Richard A. Gofton before he reached the age of 17. This young ringer has a great future before him.

We hear that Mr. John Carter is shortly taking up his residence in London.

Mr. Clement Glenn, who was hon. secretary of the Yorkshire Association before joining H.M. Forces, is settling down in France for a time.

## THE FUTURE OF BELL RINGERS.

### NATIONAL ASSEMBLY'S PROPOSAL.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—At the meeting of the National Assembly of the Church of England, held at the Church House, Westminster, on November 15th, the draft measure for conferring powers on Parochial Church Councils passed the stage of 'general approval' (corresponding, roughly, to the second reading stage in Parliament), and will come up for the stage of revision (or committee stage) in February next.

Clause 6 (iii.) of the measure provides that 'The Council of every parish shall have power, in conjunction with the incumbent, to appoint and dismiss the organist, parish clerk, bell ringers and sexton or any persons performing or assisting to perform the duties thereof, and to determine the salaries and conditions of tenure of their offices.'

I think that ringing societies and ringers generally should consider carefully the effect of this clause. Two questions suggest themselves to me.

(1) Why should the appointment of ringers be placed under the Council if that of the choir is not?

(2) Is it not probable that if the Council joins in the appointment and payment of the ringers, it will not be long before it claims a voice in deciding when the bells shall be rung? Some of us know parishes where peal ringing and even weekly practices might not long survive.

As I believe that I am the only ringer who is a member of the National Assembly—at any rate the only member of the Central Council—I shall be glad if ringers who wish to express opinions on this clause, or who desire that any amendment to it should be put down for discussion will correspond with me.

Perhaps I ought to add that I want to look at this clause simply as it is likely to affect the well-being of change ringing, and not in the least as it limits my autocratic powers as a parson.—Yours faithfully  
Dunstable Rectory, Beds. W. W. C. BAKER.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

### S.E. DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the South-Eastern Division of the Essex Association was held at Springfield on Saturday, Nov. 27th. A short service was held at the Parish Church, the Rector (the Rev. F. S. Parnter) officiating, gave an excellent address. The ringers adjourned to the vestry hall for tea, about 30 members sitting down. At the business meeting, which followed, the Rector presided, and was elected an honorary member.—Mr. Lincoln (Master) and Mr. P. Timson (secretary) were re-elected. Six probationary members from Brentwood were elected ringing members, and Galleywood was selected for the next place of meeting. Mr. Kirtton urged the necessity for furthering the circulation of 'The Ringing World,' pointing out that it was the only thing that kept ringers from far and near in touch with one another, and if this valuable paper was discontinued another one would not be forthcoming.

Mr. W. Lincoln proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, etc.; also the organist and the choir.—The Rector, in responding, said he was pleased to welcome the association to Springfield, and realised the good work it was doing.

The ringers again visited the tower, and several members adjourned to the Cathedral for 10 and 12 bell ringing. The towers of Boreham, Broomfield, Bentley, Chelmsford, Maldon, Writtle, Rettendon, Galleywood, Goldhanger, and the local company, were represented.

### FIRST 720's.

The first 720 of Boh Minor by a local band at Barlborough, Derbyshire, was rung for morning service on October 24th by: R. Reece 1, G. Ashby 2, H. Kirk 3, W. Sturman 4, P. Hibbard (conductor) 5, W. Kenan 6.

At Long Stanton, Cambs, on November 15th, 720 Double Court Minor (the first extent in the method by all the band) was rung by: W. Hawkes 1, L. A. Cook 2, F. J. Cook 3, Rev. H. B. Woolley 4, G. Crisp 5, O. W. Cook (conductor) 6.



## THE RINGING WORLD.

## PAYING FOR PEALS.

## SOME OF OUR READERS' VIEWS.

In response to the invitation in a previous issue we have received a number of expressions of opinion upon the question of charging for the insertion of peals as a means of helping to meet the present heavy cost of producing 'The Ringing World.' Throughout all the letters runs a most kindly feeling towards the journal and a keen desire for an increased support, and we very much appreciate these expressions of goodwill. As will be seen, views on the particular question at issue are varied.

At a meeting of the Northern Division of the Essex Association, at Halstead, on Saturday, Mr. J. H. Shepherd called attention to Mr. W. A. Cave's letter in the current issue of 'The Ringing World.'—A discussion followed, and the general wish expressed was that the suggestion to make a charge for peals was a reasonable one, and would meet with general support.

The Master pointed out the importance of retaining the paper, and especially in the interest of their own association, reminding the meeting that the only notification members had of district meetings was the one published in 'The Ringing World,' and the cost of postage which would be entailed if notices had to be printed and sent to every tower. He also pressed for members individually to give their support by each taking a copy every week rather than adopting the custom that too frequently prevailed of one taking one copy for each tower. He reminded them that whatever suggestions were put into practice it behoved them each to do their best to increase the circulation.

Mr. G. W. Cartmel, hon. secretary of the Hertford County Association, writes:—I fully agree with your remarks in the Editorial column this week. The voluntary insertion of peals insures publicity, and affords intense interest to all ringers who take an intelligent delight in their hobby. Even a small charge would jeopardise insertion, and the levy would fall only upon those who rang the peals, whilst the majority of ringers would be debarred from helping 'The Ringing World' if the method was adopted. To my mind the real list is the most interesting part of the paper, and appeals to the interest and imagination of everyone. It recalls to one's memory friendship formed in years past, and keeps us in touch with the general progress being made by the Exercise at large.

'The Ringing World' needs the support of the whole of the Exercise. The idea that one paper is sufficient for a band should be scrapped, and every ringer should feel it his or her duty to purchase the weekly copy, an ideal state which should not be impossible to attain. In the meantime I would suggest that support should come through the association, either by a levy or a penny or twopence per head of membership, or a voluntary fee voted from the funds. This would occasion no hardships, and would permit of all ringers having a share in keeping their paper going. It is essential that if change ringing is to continue to flourish, we must have a journal, and the quicker we ease the mind of our Editor the better. By all means do something, get into a quick six, and cheer him by a thousand new subscribers in the New Year. I can anticipate your smile, Mr. Editor.

Mr. J. R. Jerram, of Salisbury: You ask for suggestions re charge for publishing peals. Might I suggest that they be published in paragraph style (as with touches) free; but that if they are displayed (like peal boards) the charge suggested should be made. The probability is that, if this rule were made, all, or nearly all, would prefer to pay the fee; and at the same time you would ensure a record of all peals. Might I also suggest that our bell founding friends, and other advertisers, should be content with less space for advertisements, paying, of course, the same fees for them as heretofore.

Mr. F. M. Mitchell (Rochester District secretary, Kent Association):—I consider the suggestion of paying for the insertion of peals a good one, but even at 2d. a member a very small sum would come in. I should certainly think that 2s. 6d. per peal would be little enough, and referring to your leading article, I don't think any band with the interest of their association at heart would refuse even that. I shall certainly place this matter on the agenda at our next district meeting, and do my utmost to get a resolution passed, as knowing the difficulties under which you labour at present—I am in the trade myself—I can sympathise with you, and you are certainly to be congratulated for 'carrying on' as you are.

Mr. A. W. Osborne (Reading):—I think it is a splendid idea, and one that would help the finances of 'The Ringing World.' I am sure no ringing member of our society would mind paying even 3d. each; and when quarter-peals or touches are sent they would not mind, say, 2d. each.

Mr. A. H. Pulling (Guildford):—I have thought for a long time that some payment is necessary, but personally I feel the proposal would receive more support if a penny were charged, instead of 2d. If you reckon up the cost of the postal order and postage, and, in some societies the booking fees and steeples, in addition to the postage in arranging peals, it would make some of them a dear job. You want, if possible, to strike a happy medium whereby you will still get all the peals that are rung, and also increase your own

revenue, and I believe that a penny would do this, but twopence might defeat the ends in view.

'Youthful Ringer':—As Mr. Cave remarks, the unfortunate part about our valuable paper is that at present it contains very few items of interest to young ringers who have just entered the stage of change ringers. Of course, sir, as most ringers readily admit, your position regarding this is blameless; but again, how encouraging it is for ringers to see in print their names starred with such phrases as:—'First 500,' 'First quarter-peal as conductor,' etc., especially knowing that the journal is circulated between some few thousand ringers. Regarding the proposal to collect from each ringer the sum of twopence or whatever it may be, after accomplishing a peal, I do not think this method of increasing revenue would be fruitless. As every peal ringer knows that each peal that is recorded takes up one-tenth of a valuable page, I do not believe they would begrudge at least twopence each ringer. Again, their small outlay would eventually mean that through them they would be helping the less fortunate ringer and learner to have their performances, however small, recorded in 'The Ringing World.' There are no reforms or new suggestions that materialise directly they are launched, but I feel sure that with whole-hearted support given by all classes of ringers to whatever decision the Editor, through his readers, thinks beneficial to the future welfare of 'The Ringing World,' the circulation, we hope, would increase, with the ultimate result of having a journal worthy of our art.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. Cave's suggestion that peals which have been published in 'The Ringing World' should occupy one line only in association report, appears a most admirable one. But why not go a step further? Peals, as commonly printed in these reports, cost an association 3s. or 4s. each to print (I am taking Mr. Cave's figures). If you reckon 40 peals as a fair average for a year, the cost to an association will be from £6 to £8. Most of that money would be saved if Mr. Cave's suggestion were adopted. Out of the money thus saved, why should not an association make an annual payment to 'The Ringing World' (say, two to four guineas, according to the size of the association), on the understanding that all peals rung for the association be inserted freely as hitherto? You, Sir, would gain financially, so would the associations, and there would be no need for the rather irritating collecting of twopences proposed in Mr. Cave's letter. If the above plan were followed, I would suggest that every peal rung for an association should be sent for publication through the secretary of that association. This would be advantageous in two ways: it would help to prevent the publication of false peals, or peals to which reasonable and well-grounded objection could be taken, and all peals published would have an official sanction, which at present is lacking. A further result would be to strengthen the associations; peal ringers would not stand aloof, as is now sometimes the case, if they saw that membership really meant something.—Yours faithfully,

St. Philip's Vicarage, Bristol.

MICHAEL E. THOROLD.

P.S.—At 2d. per head per peal (reckoning eight bells as the average number) it would require 32 peals to reach the sum of two guineas, 48 to reach three guineas, and 63 to reach four guineas.

## HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## NEW SERVICE FORM ADOPTED.

The Hereford Diocesan Guild have recently adopted a special form of Guild Service, prepared by the hon. secretary (the Rev. G. W. Turner) from an order of service used in the Winchester Guild, and approved by the Bishop of Hereford. The new form was used for the first time at a Hereford district meeting at Lugwardine, and was much appreciated. The service was conducted by the Vicar, who gave a suitable address. Ringing took place both in the afternoon and evening, and at the business meeting which followed tea, the Vicar (Prebendary C. E. Warner) presided, and was supported by the Gen. Secretary (the Rev. G. W. Turner) and Mr. C. Edwards (District Secretary).

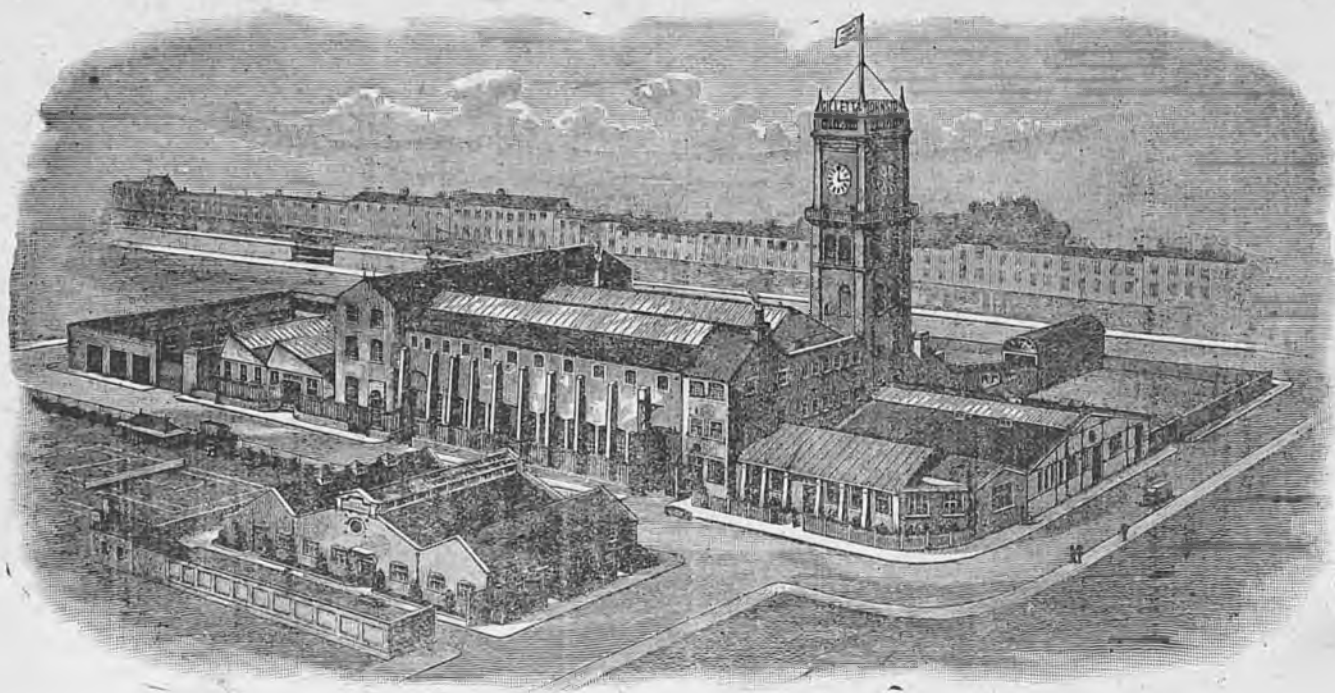
In the course of the business, Mr. Edwards said the Guild was passing through a great crisis so far as peal ringing was concerned. It was uphill work learning to ring, and there were so many other attractions nowadays that it was difficult to keep young fellows to the towers. Later in the meeting, however, Mr. Edwards pointed out that under their new arrangements the holding of quarterly meetings such as they had that day was bound to be of value in stimulating interest, for it brought members together and gave them the opportunity of expressing their views and airing any grievances. Despite difficulties he had every faith in the continuance of the Guild.

The Secretary gave a short resume of the quarter's work, and mentioned that when they went to Much Dewchurch for combined practice they found some of the bells unringable, but since then he had, with the help of the village blacksmith, put them right.

It was decided to hold the December combined practice at Pipe-cum-Lyde on the first Saturday in December, and that for January at Holmer. It was also decided that Burghill be selected for another attempt for the quarterly peal, with Mr. Williams as conductor, and that the annual meeting be held in Hereford on the first Saturday in February.

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THE CROYDON  
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## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

Fine weather favoured the members of this association on the occasion of their first visit to Barlborough, and there was a representative gathering of members of the association, and from kindred societies, the following towers were represented: Auston, Harthill, Killammarsh, Treoton, Eckington, Staveley, Norton, Cuckney, Worksop, whilst the local company turned up with a full band. A considerable amount of ringing was done, the methods rung including Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge, London and Carlisle Surprise, and the striking of most of these touches and 720's were excellent. After tea, the Rector (the Rev. J. D. Griffiths) met the ringers in the vestry, and presided over the business meeting. The following new members were elected: The Rev. J. D. Griffiths, hon. member; Messrs. W. Kennan, P. Morris and R. Reece, of Balboro', performing members.—The next meeting was arranged for Shireoaks early in the New Year.

The Rev. J. D. Griffiths, in the course of a most interesting address, said how heartily he welcomed the ringers of North Notts to Barlboro' for the first time. Prior to 1914 there was only a ring of five bells in the tower, but a new treble had been added, by dint of hard work and assiduous perseverance, to make a ring of six, and he welcomed the choice of the Barlboro' ringers to become affiliated to the association. He spoke of the growth of bell ringing in the early days in this country, and of its predominance in our eastern and south-eastern counties, owing, no doubt, to their nearness to the Continent from which the art came. He thought it was very creditable of bell ringers in these days to plod on with their work when they had not the interest of the public to support them. Unfortunately bell ringing was not regarded with enthusiasm by the country. He did not know why, for it was a most beautiful art. It gave one the greatest delight in these times to hear the sound of a beautiful peal of church bells. It was the harder to go on with it in the midst of such coolness. It seemed as though a nation could only have one enthusiasm in such an age. The time, he hoped, would soon come when bell ringing would come to its own again. Men boasted of their own generation, and took it for granted that they were more advanced than those of a former one. We had, however, lost some things in which our ancestors were very proficient, and he hoped it would not be so with the noble art of bell ringing, but that it would be handed down to posterity, and that our children's children would be grateful for our labour, our zeal and devotion. Let them then hope that the art of change ringing would flourish and survive all contingencies.

At the conclusion of the address, Mr. H. Haigh proposed, and ex-Sergeant W. H. Johnson, V.C., seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. J. D. Griffiths for the use of the bells, presiding over the meeting, and for his most interesting and instructive address, and this was carried with acclamation.—The Rector, in reply, said there would always be a hearty welcome at Barlboro' awaiting them.—A discussion took place with regard to the late Rev. F. E. Robinson's book, 'Amongst the Bells,' and it was suggested that each tower in the association should purchase a copy.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD  
GUILDFORD DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Guildford District of the Winchester Guild was held on Saturday, November 20th, at Guildford, under something like pre-war conditions. Service at Holy Trinity Church was well attended, but in the unexplained absence of the preacher, no address was given. About 100 sat down to tea at Brett's Restaurant, the Mayor (Alderman G. W. Franks), wearing his chain of office, being in the chair. The company included the Rural Dean (Canon Kirwan), Canon Cooke-Yarborough, Canon Coleridge, Rev. Sir J. C. W. Herschel, Bart. (general hon. secretary of the Association), Mrs. Bruce, of Worplesdon, and a large number of lady ringers. The election of officers resulted in the following appointments: Chairman of committee, Mr. Melville; Ringing Master, Mr. Hazelden; auditor, Mr. W. H. Tunnell; secretary, Mr. John J. Jones; representatives on Central Committee, Mr. T. Upshall and Mr. A. C. Hazelden. The places of meeting for 1921 are to be—February, Haslemere; April, Puttenham; May, Shere; July, Bentley, Binsted, Frensham; September, Cranleigh; November, Guildford.—The Ringing Master was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for his report.

The social was under the able management of Mr. A. H. Pulling, who unearthed a considerable amount of talent in songs, recitations and piano selections from those present. The handbells were also in evidence, and the ringing included a course of Grandsire Cinques—the first by the district.—Canon Coleridge contributed some stories and anecdotes in his own inimitable style.

Sir John Herschel (general secretary) said the offertory to the Guild Memorial at the service amounted to £2 10s., and he gently chided the hearers on the fact that a neighbouring district of much smaller size had given nearly double the amount that that district had yet done and urged them to make up for lost time.

Many ringers will be surprised to read that John Carter has just rung the tenor to his first peal of Stedman—but it is not the Birmingham wizard that is referred to; it is his namesake at Milverton.

## NOTICES.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

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THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

LADIES' GUILD.—Southern District. — A quarterly meeting will be held at Yorktown on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Gentlemen cordially invited.—H. F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells ready at 3. Tea and meeting at 5.30. —Members intending to be present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Chatham, on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available from 3 to 9. Short service at 5 followed by business meeting in the vestry.—Fred M. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—A meeting for practice will be held at Dewsbury Parish Church, Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available 5 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—P. L. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 12, Willoughby Avenue, Holbeck.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A District meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m., 1/- per head. Those intending to be present will oblige by notifying me by the 8th inst.—H. Eden, Hon. Sec. Western Division, 11, Pinner Road, Watford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—The Committee will meet at All Saints' Vestry, Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, on Saturday, Dec. 11th, at 5 o'clock. A representative from each tower should be present, and overdue subscriptions paid up. Ringing at Barnham at 7 p.m.—W. H. Fussell, Hon. Sec., Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. — S. and W. District. — A meeting will be held at Chiswick Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Wimborne Branch.—The Annual Branch meeting is to be held at Wimborne Minster on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available from 3. Service, with address by the Vicar, 4.15. Tea at 5 in Church House, followed by business meeting.—C. A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Bridgewater on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Service in the Parish Church at 3 p.m. Business meeting to follow in the Vestry. Tea at Taylor's Restaurant. Bells available all the afternoon.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

ST. GEORGE'S, BRISTOL EAST.—The dedication and opening of two new trebles will take place on Satur-



day, Dec. 11th. Bells (6) available from 3 to 3.55. Service at 4. Tea (1/6) 5.20. Bells (8) then open to all visitors. Kindly notify early.—W. Stafford, Hon. Sec., 16, Queen's Road, St. George's, Bristol.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at Bokesbourne on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 in the Vicarage Room.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**—North-East Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Tiverton, on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Short service at 4.45. Tea (1/6) in the Church House at 5.15.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—The subscription of 1/8, which entitles members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on Dec. 23rd; \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 14th; Southwark Cathedral on the 27th, and \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 28th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Manchester Town Hall on Saturday, Dec. 11th. Bells ready at 4. Subscriptions due. Reports ready.—W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practices on Mondays at 7.30 p.m., St. Clement Danes, Dec. 13th; St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, Dec. 20th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, Slough.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—Combined practice will be held on Thursday, December 16th, at St. Andrew's, Wells Street, W., from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the North Forest Branch will be held at Newent on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Tea provided by the Rector at the Parish Room at 5.30. All ringers welcome.—Joseph Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., Newent, near Gloucester.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Rishton on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 18th, at Shore Parish Church. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**BOLTON, LANCS.**—The bells of Holy Trinity will be opened on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells available 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—Peter Crook, 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**ST MARY'S, HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.**—The new ring of eight bells will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield on Saturday, Dec. 18th, at 3 o'clock. Tea will be provided at a moderate charge, and the bells open for ringing after dedication. All ringers welcome.—F. Watkinson.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Heene on Sat-

urday, Dec. 18th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Free tea at the Church Rooms, Heene Road, at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow. Kindly let me know by the 15th all those who intend to present. All ringing friends welcome.—A. W. Groves, Div. Sec., 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Hothfield and Great Chart on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells at Hothfield from 2 to 4.30 p.m. and Great Chart from 4.30 to 8 p.m. Arrangements will be made for tea for those who notify me by Dec. 15th.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

**DONCASTER AND ARKSEY SOCIETIES.**—Combined practice at St. George's, Doncaster, on Saturday, Dec. 18th, at 6.30. All ringers welcome. Plain Bob, Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob.—George Halksworth, Ringing Master.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Hythe on Saturday, Dec. 18th, for combined practice in Stedman and Treble Bob methods to commence at 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—C. Tribe, Hon. Dis. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary, Whitechapel, on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells ready 3.30. Short service 5.15, followed by tea (kindly provided by the Vicar). Those intending to be present please notify me by 15th inst.—F. G. Symonds, 157, High Street, N.W.1.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The next Quarterly meeting will on Jan. 15th, 1921, at Ashby-de-la-Zouch. Further particulars later.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION** for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—The district secretaries and leaders of companies that have not sent in the secretary's lists (dated Nov. 6th) for revision in respect of members' arrears and outstanding subscriptions for 1920, are kindly requested to do so, enclosing remittances not later than Dec. 22nd, for the purpose of revising the Register of Membership of the Association for 1920, upon which revision the number of Annual Reports for 1920, which will be issued free to members who have paid their subscriptions as decided at the Ipswich meeting, 1920, will be limited. The secretary would also be glad to receive for the Council Report short 'In Memoriams' of members who have died during the year 1920. Conductors of peals are kindly reminded to send in their peal references as usual at the end of the year.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL MEMORIAL APPEAL.**—The Association is very anxious to collect the remaining £50 at the earliest possible moment. Members and friends, please make an effort to give your donations. If you have already given and you can give more, please send direct to Hon. Sec., Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.



**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Bulwell on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All are welcome.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

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#### **HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

A meeting of the Eastern District of the Hertford County Association was held at Broxbourne and Hoddesdon, and proved very successful. Members and friends attended from no less than 17 towers, viz., Brockley, Cheshunt, Edmonton, Walthamstow, West Ham, Romford, Waltham Abbey, Hertford, Hatfield, Ware, Ragston, Barley, Thunbridge, Nazeing, Great and Little Munden, besides the two towers of Broxbourne and Hoddesdon. A party of 20 sat down to tea, and the subsequent business meeting was presided over by Miss E. K. Parker, of Edmonton. Miss Upsher, of the same place, was elected a member of the association, as was also Mr. Mansfield, of Nazeing.—The usual votes of thanks were accorded the Rectors of both parishes for granting permission to ring, and to Miss Parker for presiding.—Some very good ringing was done, ranging from Superlative to Plain Bob, and all agreed that the meeting had been most enjoyable and a great success.

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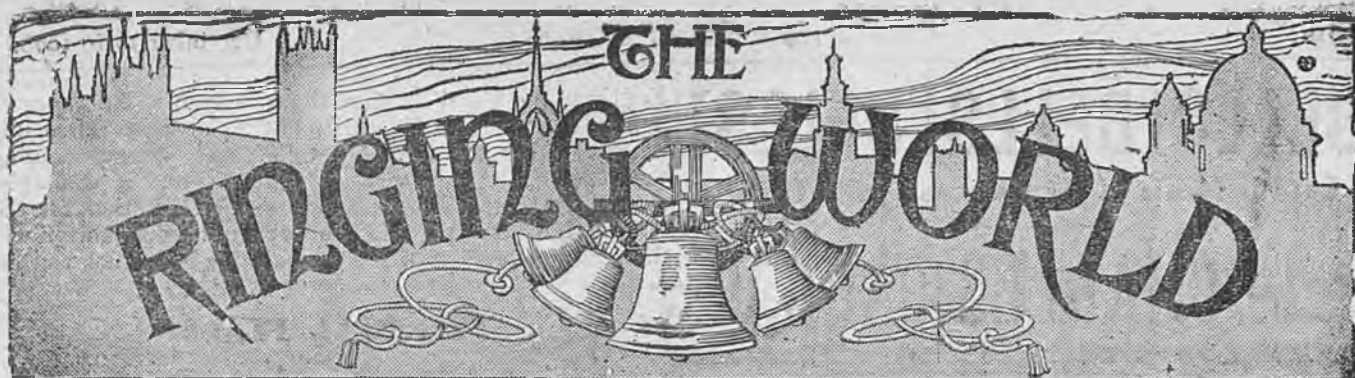
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### CHURCH COUNCILS AND RINGERS.

The importance of the question raised in our last issue by Canon Baker in reference to the powers which it is proposed to give to Parochial Church Councils under the measure now before the National Assembly, has led us to ascertain the views of a number of representative men in the Exercise, and these opinions will be read with interest. They summarise, we think, the various aspects of the case from the ringer's standpoint and will help to direct consideration of the subject into the right channels. It is clear that there is a difference of opinion as to the exact extent to which the clause in question will apply to the management of the ringers and the bells, but it seems to be generally accepted by those whose views we publish that the control to be exercised is that which is usually applied by an authority that holds the purse-strings. If this be the case, then there is reason for drawing a distinction between the paid and the voluntary ringers. Where the Parochial Council provides the funds for the payment of ringers' services there can be little ground to quarrel with the right of the Council 'to determine the salaries and conditions of tenure of their offices'; but in the vast majority of cases, the service ringers are voluntary office bearers, and, as such, it appears to us have a right to claim treatment equal to other voluntary church workers. Alderman J. S. Pritchett finds what appears to be an effective way out of the difficulty, by a suggested amendment of the clause.

Some of those who have kindly communicated their views emphasize the opinion that no hostility to change-ringing is intended in the clause, and we think most ringers will be inclined to endorse that opinion. But, as with Acts of Parliament, it is not always the intention of the draughtsman that becomes the accepted interpretation of the law, and therefore it is worth while, before it is too late, to endeavour to get incorporated into the measure, such terms as will safeguard the future of ringing. To accept the clause as it stands, would be to leave it in somewhat ambiguous terms, and, if only to strengthen Canon Baker's hands in getting it more definitely shaped and to remove some of the dangers which might arise from the present wording, it is essential that the whole subject should be carefully considered by the Standing Committee of the Central Council. There are a great many points which would arise out of the practical application of the clause as it stands, and these need to be thoroughly explored and their effects investigated before the Exercise can know exactly what its position would be under the measure. Such an exploration can only be carried out by men, fully conversant with the subject, discussing it round the table.

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For that reason and because there is such a difference of opinion as to the exact intention of the clause as drafted, it is necessary that the Standing Committee, as representing the Exercise, should meet to consider, and if desirable, strengthen Canon Baker's hands with a resolution, for the National Assembly would, we hope, not lightly turn down the reasoned opinion of a representative body such as this.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Thursday, Nov. 25, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

JAMES W. DRIVER ... .. Treble	PERCY MILES ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. WOOD ... .. 2	GEORGE C. ISLES ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... .. 3	FRANK SKEVINGTON ... .. 8
HORACE W. BELSHER ... .. 4	ARTHUR HARDING ... .. 9
*ARTHUR CUTMORE ... .. 5	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. CHARGE.

C. Charge's 150th peal. \* First peal of Royal with inside bell. H. W. Belsher and P. Miles were elected members of the above society previous to starting for the peal.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 17 cwt.	
JOHN FEIST ... .. Treble	JAMES HART ... .. 6
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 2	WILLIAM WATTS ... .. 7
WILLIAM PALMER ... .. 3	JOHN JAY ... .. 8
HERBERT RANN ... .. 4	BENJAMIN HOBES ... .. 9
ROBERT J. DAWE ... .. 5	THOMAS DEADMAN ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES GEORGE. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

This peal was arranged as a birthday compliment to the composer, also to Mrs. Dawe, sen., mother of the ringer of the 5th, who attained the age of 76 on the 28th ult.

GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WULFRAM,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5076 CHANGES;**

Tenor 37 cwt.	
*PRESTON TURNER ... .. Treble	ERNEST NIDD ... .. 6
DAVID B. OVERTON ... .. 2	JOHN C. WHETSTONE ... .. 7
SIDNEY PROCTOR ... .. 3	WILLIAM G. THORPE ... .. 8
HARRY THORPE ... .. 4	FRED TURNER ... .. 9
*ALFRED PARKER ... .. 5	THOMAS H. HALL ... .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by S. PROCTOR.

\* First peal. Rung by an entirely local band at the opening (by Sir George E. Welby, C.M.G.) of St. Wulfram's War Memorial Cross, erected in the churchyard, and tablets in the church, recording the names of 313 Grantham men who laid down their lives in the Great War.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HEATHFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.	
*WILFRED BOOTH ... .. Treble	GEORGE W. STOKES ... .. 5
WALTER FRANKS ... .. 2	CHARLES W. PLAYER ... .. 6
*ALFRED C. PANKHURST ... .. 3	ROBERT J. DAWE ... .. 7
FRANK BENNETT ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. BARROW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal of Stedman, also on the bells.



## LONDON.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary, Woolwich, S.E.,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Sir A. P. Heywood's transposition of Thurstans' 4-part.

Tenor, 13 cwt.

* WILLIAM J. ALDRIDGE ... Treble	WILLIAM H. WELLINGTON... 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... 6
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VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

* ERIC WESTON ... Treble	OLIVER G. NORMAN ... 5
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... 2	* FRED W. RISHWORTH ... 6
* RICHARD INGRAM ... 3	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... 7
GEORGE T. MITCHISON ... 4	CHARLES H. COOK ... Tenor

Conducted by MORRIS J. MORRIS.

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## OLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Leonard,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

WILLIAM SHORT ... Treble	JOHN SMITH ... 5
ROBERT MATTHEWS ... 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... 6
THOMAS J. SALTER ... 3	JOHN WITHERS ... 7
JOHN BASS ... 4	ALFRED DAVIES ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by W. SHORT.

## CORSTON, BATH.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S ONE-PART.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

JOSEPH T. DYKE ... Treble	MISS ANNIE BROWN ... 5
WALTER FARLEY... 2	WILLIAM ABRAHAM ... 6
SIDNEY ABRAHAM ... 3	FREDERICK LEAKER ... 7
EDWIN J. BROWN... 4	THOMAS GRIFFIN ... Tenor

Conducted by F. LEAKER.

## MILVERTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM WHITE ... Treble	FRANK MILLARD ... 5
HENRY NORMAN ... 2	PERCY MERSON ... 6
ROBERT SCOTT ... 3	JAMES HUNT ... 7
EDWARD LLOYD ... 4	* JOHN CARTER ... Tenor

Conducted by JAMES HUNT.

\* First peal of Stedman. The ringers of 1, 4, 5, 6, 7 hail from Taunton, the rest are local.

## MAJORITY 192.

To celebrate the defeat by 192 votes of the proposal to admit women to the University, the following members of the Cambridge University Guild rang a touch of 192 Plain Bob Minor: C. E. V. Wilkins (Trinity) 1—2, J. B. Williamson (Trinity) 3—4, W. H. J. Hooton (Queen's), conductor, 5—6.

## NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

OWEN H. GILES ... Treble	REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... 5
JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... 2	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... 6
ALFRED MEARS ... 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 7
KEITH HART... 4	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAVIS. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

## HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Stephen.

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt.

HORACE WHITEHEAD ... Treble	CHRISTOPHER R. WALKER... 5
RICHARD STEVENS ... 2	CHARLES W. BRETT ... 6
CHARLES R. MILLWAY ... 3	HENRY CASTLE ... 7
EDWIN G. BUESDEN ... 4	FRED G. BRETT ... Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by E. G. BUESDEN.

## WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, Nov. 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

VICTOR E. KERRIDGE ... Treble	GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 5
EDWARD JENKINS... 2	LESLIE E. WIGHTMAN ... 6
JOHN HALL ... 3	CHARLES WOODCOCK ... 7
HARRY HALL ... 4	ERNEST E. GRIMES ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by E. JENKINS.

First peal of Treble Bob by Victor Kerridge. First peal of Treble Bob as conductor.

## FULNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(ELLOE DEANERIES BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Nov. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paul,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN TAYLOR ... Treble	JOHN G. AMES ... 5
GEORGE LADD ... 2	RICHARD SMITH ... 6
ARTHUR J. FARR... 3	JOHN CURRY ... 7
JOHN T. BROWN... 4	RUPERT RICHARDSON... Tenor

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS. Conducted by ROBERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal.

## UCKFIELD, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of the Holy Cross,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

ALFRED J. PIERPOINT... Treble	HERBERT RANN... 5
ARTHUR CAUSLEY ... 2	* PERCY MARCHANT ... 6
FRANK BENNETT ... 3	JAMES A. HART ... 7
GEORGE ADES ... 4	WALTER BURRELL ... Tenor

Conducted by J. A. HART.

\* First peal with a bob bell. Rung after meeting short for Bob Major.

## CRAYFORD, KENT

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Paulinus,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BROOKS' VARIATION.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

* WILLIAM J. WHEADON ... Treble	SPENCER MARSHALL ... 5
FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN. 2	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... 6
HERBERT AUDSLEY ... 3	HENRY GIBBS ... 7
JOHN BURLES ... 4	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by HENRY GIBBS.

\* First peal of Stedman.

**DEFTFORD, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

DAVID F. WARD ... ..	Treble	RICHARD A. RICHES ... ..	5
GEORGE W. HARRIS ... ..	2	*EDWIN R. POPE ... ..	6
WILLIAM H. DAYNES ... ..	3	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... ..	7
REGINALD D. MARSHALL ... ..	4	WILLIAM H. BILLING ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

\* First peal and first attempt. Rung by the local band with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to Mr. George W. Ford, Churchwarden for over 14 years, who died Nov. 17th, 1920, and was interred in Brockley Cemetery in the afternoon previous to the peal.

**NORWICH, NORFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1920, in Four Hours and Fourteen Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL COSLANY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 7136 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JAMES RAMPLEY ... ..	Treble	BEN S. THOMPSON ... ..	5
FRANK R. COPERMAN ... ..	2	GEORGE MAYERS ... ..	6
CHARLES E. BORRETT ... ..	3	FRED J. HOWCHIN ... ..	7
WILLIAM E. BASON ... ..	4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

This is the longest peal on tower bells by all the band, longest in the method on the bells and in the county, and is the longest peal in Norwich since the 7,360 of Treble Bob at St. Andrew's in 1837, which was conducted by Samuel Thurstan.

**OBISLEHURST, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS PHILLIPS ... ..	Treble	HERBERT AUDSLEY ... ..	5
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. ... ..	2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... ..	6
HARRY DURLING ... ..	3	GEORGE DURLING ... ..	7
JAMES FORD ... ..	4	REUBEN S. GOODCHILD ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

This peal was rung to celebrate the birthdays of T. Phillips (age 70), R. Brett-Smith and J. Ford.

**OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
 (BLACKBURN BRANCH.)  
*On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF IMMANUEL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

ANNABLE'S THREE-PART.

ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... ..	Treble	JAMES SHAW ... ..	5
*FRED BRADLEY ... ..	2	JONATHAN WHEWELL ... ..	6
LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... ..	3	*EDWIN OGDEN ... ..	7
*THOMAS WILSON ... ..	4	*WILLIAM H. HUNTER ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

All the above are ex-service men, and the peal was rung in memory of the fallen ringers of the Blackburn Branch. Ringers of 1st, 2nd and 4th hail from Blackburn, 3rd from Church Kirk, 5th and 6th from Oswaldtwistle, and 7th and 8th from Burnley. \* First peal in the method.

**READING, BERKS.**  
**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
 (ST. GILES'S SOCIETY.)  
*On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt.

*MISS DOROTHY M. BATTEN Treble	ARTHUR BAILEY ... ..	5
†GILBERT GOODSHIP ... ..	RICHARD U. RUNHAM ... ..	6
†ROBERT BISHOP ... ..	†HORACE OSBORNE ... ..	7
†GEORGE WIGGIN ... ..	AMROSE W. OSBORNE ... ..	Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON, Conducted by A. W. OSBORNE.

\* First peal. † First peal of Major.

**SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.**

**MILTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

HERBERT J. HARLOW ... ..	Treble	HERBERT L. HARLOW ... ..	4
W. ARCHDALE NORMAN ... ..	2	RICHARD KENDALL ... ..	5
HENRY W. GAYTON ... ..	3	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

**MALDON, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Plain Bob, Double Court, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

EBENEZER W. FINCH ... ..	Treble	FRANK C. MAY ... ..	4
JOSEPH H. WALDOCK ... ..	2	HORACE J. MANSFIELD ... ..	5
ALFRED SOUTH ... ..	3	FRED CHALK ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by H. J. MANSFIELD.

First peal by Frank C. May, who hails from Rettendon.

**BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's of Oxford and four 720's of Kent.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb.

WALTER POSTON ... ..	Treble	JAMES BLAKE ... ..	4
JOHN BEVAN ... ..	2	JOHN CLARK ... ..	5
WILLIAM T. POSTON ... ..	3	WILLIAM POSTON ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM POSTON.

Believed to be the first peal of Treble Bob Minor by the Guild. If any other band has a previous claim, please correct.

**BLABY, NEAR LEICESTER.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Tuesday, Nov. 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 42 different 120's. Tenor approx. 10 cwt.

WILFRED BROTHWELL ... ..	Treble	ARTHUR CATTELL ... ..	5
JAMES WILSON ... ..	2	WILLIAM H. CLARKE ... ..	4
ERNEST MORRIS ... ..	3	ERNEST MORRIS ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal on the bells. Very little ringing has been done here since the bells were opened on January 4th, 1888, by St. Martin's Society, Leicester. The 2nd ringer rang in the first 120 on the bells that day.

**RADSTOCK, SOMERSET.**  
**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Thursday, Nov. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

42 Six-scores.

Tenor 9 cwt.

CHARLES J. PAIN ... ..	Treble	*WILLIAM THOMAS ... ..	3
WILLIAM J. BIRD ... ..	2	THOMAS GRIFFIN ... ..	4
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... ..	3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... ..	Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells.

**BISHOP'S STORTFORD'S CENTENARY PEAL.**

'An Essex Ringer' writes, that it has come to his knowledge that the peal of Grandsire Caters rung at Bishop's Stortford for the centenary of the bells—conducted by Mr. H. J. Tucker—has left a slur as to the truthfulness of the performance. 'I think,' he adds, 'we should all uphold cleanliness in peal ringing, although it is difficult to form a standard or draw a line between a fair peal or a bad one. If the peal was wrong (which I hope not), let the conductor admit it, and the Exercise will admire him. At any rate it will clear up the rumours that some of the band will not own the peal.'

## SHORNE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Nov. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Parish Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent  
Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN AVIS ... ..	Treble	CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. 4
HARRY ARGENT ... ..	2	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 5
FREDERICK HAYES ... ..	3	GEORGE MORRAD... ..
		Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE MORRAD.

Birthday peal for the conductor who thus conducted his first peal  
in seven methods. First peal in seven methods on the bells.

## STOKE PRIOR, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. LUKE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

42 six-scores, ten different callings. Tenor 6 cwt.

WALTER S. EVANS ... ..	Treble	*JOHN F. FOX ... .. 3
†ALFRED TALBOT... ..	2	FREDERICK A. JAINE... .. 4
JABEZ FREECE ... ..		Tenor

Conducted by A. TALBOT.

\* First peal. † First peal of Doubles. First peal on the bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Royal Grammar School,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT's ORIGINAL. Tenor size 18 in G.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	1-2	CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	3-4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Nov. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
At the Royal Grammar School,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT's ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 18 in G.

GEORGE W. STEERE ... ..	1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... ..	3-4	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MRS. PULLING.

This peal and the one on the previous evening were rung in connection  
with Mr. George's birthday celebration.

## LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, Nov. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Eight Minutes,  
In the Vestry of St. LAWRENCE's Church,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, with 10 different callings.

*REGINALD HARRISON ... ..	1-2	DANIEL T. MATKIN ... .. 3-4
WILLIAM R. NASH ... ..		5-6

Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

Witnesses: WILLIAM BENNIAMS and HUBERT WINDERS.

\* First peal and first attempt.

## BIRMINGHAM.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Friday, Nov. 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
In the Cathedral Belfry,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

JAMES E. GROVES ... ..	1-2	GEORGE F. SWANN ... .. 5-6
FRANK W. PERRENS ... ..	3-4	ALBERT WALKER... .. 7-8
MORRIS J. MORRIS ... ..		9-10

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by A. WALKER.

Rung after meeting short for Maximus.

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## CHURCH COUNCILS (POWERS) BILL.

### VIEWS OF PROMINENT RINGERS.

The important question raised by Canon W. W. C. Baker in our last issue in reference to the prospective position of ringers under the Church Councils (Powers) Bill is likely vitally to affect the future of ringing, and we have obtained the views of some prominent members of the Exercise whose opinions may be taken as representative of ringers generally.

It should be borne in mind that the proposal in the measure now before the National Assembly is to place in the hands of the Parochial Church Councils which are to be appointed, the power 'in conjunction with the incumbent, to appoint and dismiss the organist, parish clerk, bell ringers and sexton, or any persons performing or assisting to perform the duties thereof, and to determine the salaries and conditions of tenure of their offices.'

### BELL RINGERS SHOULD BE OMITTED.

The President of the Central Council (the Rev. A. H. F. Boughhey):—  
Ringers are greatly indebted to Canon Baker for calling attention to the proposal now before the National Assembly, that the appointment and dismissal of church bell ringers should be in the hands of Parochial Councils. The proposal seems to me both bad in itself and likely to lead to much harm. For the appointment of a single official such as an organist, or clerk, or sexton, a body like a Vestry or a Council is all right: such appointments occur comparatively seldom, and when they do occur can be considered at length with full testimonials as to fitness. It would be intolerable for this to be done in the case of every bell ringer, just as it would be in the case of every chorister. The mere summoning of a Council on every such occasion would be well-nigh impossible; whereas an incumbent, who is the natural representative of the parish, can be consulted at any moment, and surely may be trusted to decide fairly and impartially in such a matter.

But further, as Canon Baker points out, the proposal, if carried, is likely to lead to harmful interference. Ringers will be regarded rather as servants (paid or unpaid) of this Council than as church workers. Difficulties and disputes about the performance of their duties may constantly be turning up. A wise incumbent, from his personal knowledge of both ringers and parishioners, and his desire for the good of all, is the best person to smooth these away. A Council, with the best of intentions, may possibly aggravate them.

The amendment required is simply that the words 'bell ringers' should be omitted from the clause. I earnestly hope that this may be done.

A. H. F. BOUGHEY.

### SHOULD BE RESISTED TO THE UTMOST.

The Hon. Secretary of the Central Council (the Rev. C. D. Davies):—

The points brought forward by the Rev. Canon Baker are very important, and it is a matter for congratulation that we have on the National Assembly of the Church a member so well qualified in every possible way to speak for ringers and ringing as the Rector of Dunstable. It is manifest that unless the Bill, if it becomes law, is to stir up turmoil and confusion, not to say something far worse, there are many points in it calling for amendment, and not least among them the clause in question. If church bells are to continue to be used for any purpose except to make a certain amount of noise for a specified time before service, it is evident that there must be change ringing, as no set of men worth their salt will be content with less, and change ringing necessarily entails regular practices, a brotherhood of ringers who must and will occasionally meet for purposes of comradeship and united practice. It also necessarily entails occasional peals by the home or by a visiting company. Without these things all enthusiasm and progress would be strangled. Under these circumstances it appears to me to be a vital necessity that the control of the bells should be vested in one responsible person. Occasions will inevitably arise with which a Council or Committee could not adequately deal. Not only would there often not be time enough for calling them together, but in numberless ways such machinery would be too cumbersome. In 999 cases out of 1,000 the authority of the incumbent has worked well and smoothly in this matter, and there does not seem to me to be any sufficient cause for upsetting the present arrangement. As things now are, no wise incumbent manages his bells, ringers and ringing, in opposition to the known wishes of his devout parishioners, and with a Church Council in his parish I feel sure that every such incumbent will not fail to come to some general and friendly understanding with the Council on the subject. If possible, he will suggest to the meeting of qualified electors the advisability of electing one or more of the ringers themselves on the Council. To my mind, the proposal to confer power on the Council to appoint or dismiss ringers should be resisted to the very utmost. Like the organist and choir, the ringers form a definite part of the ministry of the church, and to subject them to any authority other than that of the parish priest is distinctly subversive of Catholic order and if insisted upon is likely to land the church in difficulties and



troubles more serious than we care to contemplate. It might seem harmless to give the Council some consultative voice in the matter, but such devices almost invariably lead to encroachment (of which the Bill has already plenty), and are, therefore, to be excluded. After about five-and-forty years' experience as a ringer, and close on thirty as an incumbent, it seems to me best to leave things as they are. I entirely agree with you in holding that the Standing Committee of the Central Council should be summoned, and should fortify Canon Baker with their opinion.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

#### OBJECTION BETTER EXPRESSED THROUGH REPRESENTATIVE BODY.

The President of the Lancashire Association (Canon H. J. Elsee):—  
We are all grateful to Canon Baker for calling attention to this clause as it affects ringers. I take it that the phrase, 'in conjunction with the incumbent,' means that each party, the incumbent by himself as one, and the Parochial Church Council—with the incumbent as its chairman—as the other, has a separate voice in the appointment or dismissal, so that no mere majority on the Council can overrule the incumbent. Each party is in fact able to veto the other's action; both must be in agreement if any change is to be made. If this is the right interpretation of the clause, I do not see great objection to it. It does not seem to alter the custody of the bells, which still remains in the hands of the incumbent alone. He, therefore, will still be the only authority to give or withhold permission for the ringing of the bells. But while this is and will still be his legal position, I do not resent the suggestion that the Council which represents the people of the parish should be able to express their opinion. In a broad sense, bells are a national possession, and ringers are trustees for the enjoyment of them by the public. We cannot rightly enjoy them all to ourselves without consideration of those outside who hear them. If there is reasonable objection to the way the bells are used in any place, it is better that this should be expressed through a representative body than through individuals who may speak only for themselves. I do not fear that the Church Councils will in general put obstacles in the way of reasonable use of the bells, whether for practice or for peal ringing.

H. J. ELSEE.

#### A SUGGESTED AMENDMENT.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett, Presiding Ringing Master of St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham:—

It seems to me only reasonable that the Council should have the same powers with regard to paid ringers as the Council has with regard to other paid officials of the Church, for the very good reason that it represents the people who in most cases will have to find the money. Control, however, of this kind is a very different thing from a right to say when and by whom the bells are to be rung, and this should be reserved strictly to the incumbent as heretofore. In other words, the Councils should have no power beyond that of paying or withholding payment, according as they approve or disapprove of the conditions under which the bells are rung. Ringers who expect payment will, of course, make their own agreements with the Council, taking care to provide against summary dismissal without good cause.

I suggest the addition to clause 6 (iii) of the following words, 'provided that nothing hereinbefore contained shall prevent the incumbent from permitting the organ to be played or the bells to be rung voluntarily by such person or persons at such times and under such conditions as he may think fit.'

J. S. PRITCHETT.

#### INTERESTS OF RINGING SHOULD BE PROTECTED.

Canon Papillon, formerly Hon. Secretary of the Essex Association:—

As it stands, clause 6 (iii) of the draft measure concerning the powers of Parochial Church Councils, now before the National Church Assembly, is open to the objection stated by Canon Baker, that it may lead to undue interference with existing facilities for peal or practice ringing. I doubt whether it is so intended. The draftsman, or those who inspired him, was probably thinking only of the regular paid officials of a church, among them the person or persons whose duty it is to ring the church bell or bells for services, funerals, etc.; or whose status and salary must necessarily fall within the purview of the body responsible for the church finances. The words 'any persons performing or assisting to perform the duties' of the church bell ringers might be held to include voluntary or visiting ringers, with whom the Parochial Council need have no concern. I should suggest that those words be struck out, and that some words be added to safeguard the existing rights and responsibilities of the incumbent as to the use made of the church bells and the person (other than the official ringer or ringers) who may be invited or allowed to ring them. With reasonable 'give and take' between the friends and enemies of change ringing in any particular parish, there has not been in the past, and need not be in the future, any real trouble; and I hope that its friends in the National Assembly will be able to protect its interests against its enemies, if any, and against the ignorance or indifference of the great majority of that body. The House of Commons generally listens with respect to a real expert on

any subject of which it knows little or nothing. I hope that the new Church of England Parliament will pay respectful heed to Canon Baker on this question.

T. L. PAPILLON.

#### RINGER RANKS WITH CLERK AND SEXTON.

The Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn):—

Referring to Canon Baker's letter under 'National Assembly's proposal'.

To his question i. I should suggest as answer: 'The bell ringer performs a necessary part of church worship (see Book of Common Prayer concerning the service of the Church). He therefore receives some remuneration for his work unless he chooses to do it for nothing. Accordingly he ranks with the clerk and sexton. The choirman, on the other hand, is an extra (in many churches there is no choir), and as a rule gives his services free.'

To his question ii. I should remark that I consider the answer to be 'in the affirmative.'

In view of the proposal generally, I will venture to state three points which seem to me of importance—

1. Whatever service ringers as such can render to the church should be voluntary service.
2. There should be no grounds for members of the general congregation of a church saying of the ringers, any more than of the sidesmen or choirmen, that they do not know them by sight.
3. Ringers should take their proper part in church affairs, and it is possible should put forward one of their number as candidate for election upon the Church Council.

CYRIL W. O. JENKYN.

#### CLAUSE NOT HOSTILE.

The President of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (Mr. A. T. King):—

You ask me to give my views on the subject of Canon Baker's letter, and I should just like to say that I do not necessarily read into the proposals that are being made by the National Assembly of the Church any such hostility to our church bell ringers as he seems to dread. My own experience in the past has satisfied me that the clergy have always considered the juste milieu between parishioners and ringers in the matter of using the bells, with very few exceptions, and I see no reason why, under the new regime, it should be any different. To me it seems that clause 6 (iii) is designed primarily for purposes of finance, and not of interference with ringers' privileges. It is true that it limits slightly what Canon Baker calls the 'autocratic' power of the clergy, but I should like to draw attention in this respect to the words of the clause, which gives power to every Parochial Church Council to do certain things, 'in conjunction with the incumbent.' If the Council looks after the finance, surely it has a right to see that it gets value for money, and that persons appointed to fill posts are fit and proper persons. We must not forget that we are now dealing with communicants, not like the old vestrymen, when all sorts and conditions of men thought they had the right to dictate a parochial policy to the Church. I fail to see why, if ringers are to be under control, choirmen should go free. It may possibly be that in a very great number of cases the choir is a voluntary one, and that there is no finance attaching to it; but assuredly the same may be said of a multitude of ringers, most of whom get very little, even when the voluntary members of a belfry take nothing. As for fees for ringing at weddings, it must not be forgotten that ringers have to leave their work to do it, and that what they lose in one way they gain in another. My own belief is that parishioners as a body do like to be proud of their ringers, and in all well-ordered parishes they are proud of them. Why should we go out of our way to imagine that, in future, parishioners are going to be hostile? Let us rather hope that they will pay a friendly visit to the belfry sometimes to see how the work is done, and take some interest in the ringers themselves. Let them come and recognise for themselves the beauty and the complexity of a ringer's art. Then on the one hand, we shall have ringers who deem it their privilege as well as their duty, Sunday after Sunday, to proclaim the message of the bells; and on the other, we shall have parishioners seeing for themselves that we do perform our part with the best of our intelligence, in the best possible way. I am not dealing with the fanatical enemies of the ringers. There will not be found, I feel sure, in Church Parochial Councils, as at present constituted. The language of the disturbing clause is doubtless loose and indefinite as it stands, but it is not hostile.

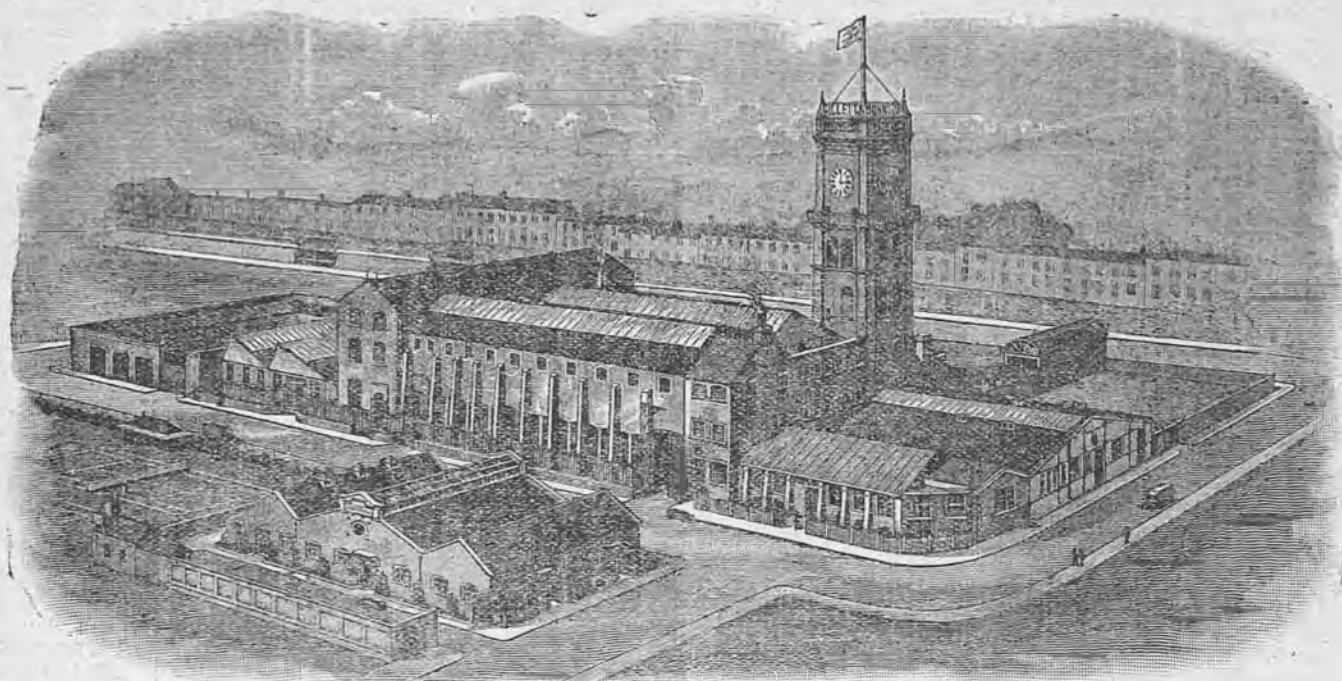
ARTHUR T. KING.

#### LIVERPOOL RINGER'S DEATH.

Death has removed a ringer of some years from the band at St. Nicholas' Church, Liverpool, in the person of Mr. William Down, who passed away on November 25th. On the 30th, a half-muffled quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung in 40 minutes as a token of remembrance: W. Fisher 1, E. Ludkin 2, E. Lloyd 3, T. Hammond 4, S. Banks 5, C. Davies 6, J. Martin (conductor) 7, A. Listott 8.

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## SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY. BISHOP'S AND ARCHDEACON'S INTEREST.

A largely attended and very successful meeting of the Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society was held at the Cathedral, Sheffield, on Saturday, Nov. 13th. Over 70 members were present from Anston, Beighton, Chesterfield, Dore, Doncaster, Eekington, Ecclesfield, Hayland Swaine, Lenton (Notts), Norton, North Wingfield, Rawmarsh, Rotherham, Sheffield (Cathedral, All Saints', and St. John's, Ranmoor), and Wortley.

Ringling on the fine peal of twelve bells (tenor 42 cwt.) was commenced at 3 p.m., and continued till 5.30 p.m., and again from 7.30 to 9 p.m. Touches of Kent Treble Bob Maximus and Royal, Stedman Cinques and Caters, Grandsire Caters, and Bob Major were brought round; a number of learners getting their first touches in methods above eight.

A substantial tea was partaken of in the adjoining Wostenholme Hall, followed by a short business meeting, presided over by the Vicar and Archdeacon of Sheffield (the Ven. C. Lisle Carr, M.A.), supported by the President of the Society (Mr. J. P. Tarlton, North Wingfield), the Vice-Presidents, hon. treasurer (Mr. J. E. L. Cockey, Ranmoor), hon. secretary (Mr. Sam Thomas, Cathedral), the Revs. J. R. Lee Nicholls (Vicar of Ranmoor), W. P. Wright (Vicar of St. Silas), W. G. Moeran, M.C. (Cathedral staff), J. F. Amies (Chesterfield Parish Church), and others.

The Lord Bishop of the Diocese (the Rt. Rev. Leonard Hedley Burroughs, D.D.) had intended being present at the tea, but was unavoidably delayed until the commencement of the service.

At the conclusion of the business meeting, which included the election of six new members, a hearty vote of thanks to the Archdeacon of Sheffield for the interest shown in being present among the ringers, and for making arrangements for the service, etc., was proposed by Mr. J. E. L. Cockey, who expressed the pleasure that the members of the society felt in having an opportunity of meeting the Archdeacon so soon after his induction as Vicar of Sheffield. The speaker referred to the loss which change ringers in the district had suffered in the departure of the ever-genial Archdeacon Gresford Jones (now Bishop of Kampala), but expressed the opinion that they had secured a worthy successor in Archdeacon Lisle Carr. He also referred to the great improvement which had taken place of late years in the relations existing between Church authorities and the ringers, to the great respect in which the ringers were now generally held, and in which they held themselves, and claimed that this improvement had in the main proceeded from amongst the ringers themselves, being due to the influence of the various ringing Guilds; the speaker emphasising the great work which these societies were doing in all parts of the country at the present time. He welcomed the presence of the Archdeacon among them, expressing the hope that this might be the first of many similar meetings, assuring the Archdeacon that the ringers always responded cordially to any interest shown in them, and would always welcome the presence of the clergy among them.—The Rev. W. P. Wright, in seconding, expressed the opinion that one qualification for the position of Archdeacon should be ability to ring a 720, a remark greeted with laughter and applause.

### ARCHDEACON'S CONNECTION WITH BELLS.

The Archdeacon, in reply, thanked the society most cordially for their welcome, stating that he considered it an honour and a privilege to be among such enthusiastic and able Church workers. He deeply appreciated the work of the ringers, and was very sensible of the good fellowship existing among them (in which they set an example to many other Church workers), and he further always appreciated their kind welcome to any stranger in the tower. He traced his connection with bells from his first cradle, where there were three bells, which played 'three blind mice,' to another church with one bell, at both of which he said it was difficult to work up much enthusiasm; then to a church in Liverpool with a fine peal of eight, and from there to Great Yarmouth and Sheffield, both with their great peals of twelve. He laughingly remarked that he was not going to get himself into trouble with either of these two places by drawing comparisons between the two peals. Adroping the remark of Mr. Wright, the Archdeacon stated, that while not a ringer himself, he had done the next best thing, in that 'he had "chirvied" one lusty youth up the tower at Yarmouth,' his only son to wit, where they had been most kind to him, and he intended to introduce him to the Cathedral company, in the hope that they would make a ringer of him—a remark greeted with much applause. He cordially endorsed the hope of the proposer—that this might be the first of many meetings, and concluded by again expressing his pleasure at being present, assuring the society that he was always at their call if at any time or in any way he could be of service to them.

In proposing a very hearty vote of thanks to the Lord Bishop of the Diocese for coming to address them that evening at some inconvenience, the Rev. J. R. Lee Nicholls expressed the regret that all felt at his Lordship's unavoidable absence from the tea, and referred to the Bishop's interest in ringing, and to the fact that it was the Bishop who preached the sermon at the memorable ringers' memorial service at St. Clement Danes Church not long since.—In seconding, the Rev. J. F. Amies referred to his presence at that

gathering which would always remain an impressive memory to all who took part in it.

Very hearty votes of thanks to the Cathedral organist (Mr. T. W. Handforth, Mus.Bac., F.R.C.O.), to the choir, and to the ladies for helping at the tea, concluded the proceedings.

An impressive, beautifully rendered, and much appreciated musical service was afterwards held in the Cathedral, conducted by the Archdeacon, supported by the Rev. W. G. Moeran, M.A., M.C., the Cathedral organist and choir, the Bishop being present on his throne. The hymns were heartily joined in by the congregation, as was the 122nd Psalm, while the Magnificat (Gadsby in C), and the anthem, 'Jesus, priceless treasure' (Varley Roberts) were beautifully given by the choir. The lesson was read by the Rev. W. G. Moeran, and the prayers, including some special ones for the ringers, by the Archdeacon.

### GOOD FELLOWSHIP BETWEEN CHURCH WORKERS.

In giving the address, the Bishop of Sheffield remarked on the great pleasure that he felt in being present to meet the society, assuring those present that he had made a great effort to be with them that evening, having motored straight over from an induction near Doncaster, and only just arriving in time for the service. He referred to the recent meetings at Whiston and elsewhere, where he had met and addressed the ringers, and expressed the hope that these services might often take place. He emphasised the need of closer relationship between the ringers and other church workers.

The Bishop added: We cannot be too thankful for the keen desire of bell ringers throughout their associations that they should come together in Cathedrals and Central Churches and hold festival services. These gatherings for corporate prayer and thanksgiving are important for several reasons: (1) They are an outward sign that the authorities of the Church recognise bell ringing as a form of definite church work; (2) they emphasise the fact that bell ringing which is both a science and an art needs also the consecration of a devotional atmosphere; (3) they show an important body of church workers that the Cathedral Church of the Diocese belongs to them, and ought to be the centre of gatherings of this kind; (4) they excite friendly relations between the bell ringers and the clergy and other church workers, and bring them into closer fellowship with each other; (5) they demonstrate to the world that the bells are a Christian symbol, with their notes of invitation, warning and triumph: 'Ring out the false, ring in the true.'

After the concluding hymn, his Lordship pronounced the Benediction, which was followed by Naylor's 'Hail Amen,' by the choir.

After the service, many of those present spent an interesting few minutes looking round the beautiful old building, redolent of memories of ancient Sheffield; of the Earls of Shrewsbury, of James Montgomery, poet and hymn writer; of Sterndale Bennett, and others. Much interest was displayed in the magnificent war memorial of the Freemasons, consisting of the High Altar and an exceptionally beautiful reredos, Canons' stalls, and chancel floor, and hardly less interest in the simple but exquisitely designed tablet in the south aisle, with its restrained yet moving dedication to the ever glorious memory of the officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the Sheffield City Battalion, who at the call of duty and in the cause of right, nobly made the supreme sacrifice, surmounted by a crucifix flanked by the badge of the York and Lancaster Regiment, and the coat of arms of the City of Sheffield, with at the base, a single vase of white chrysanthemums, symbolic of purity and sacrifice; the tablet being the gift of the surviving members of the Battalion in memory of their comrades.

The thanks of the society are due to Mr. Sam Thomas for his unobtrusive but very effectual efforts in arranging this successful meeting.

J. E. L. C.

### BELFRY GOSSIP.

Owing to pressure on our space we have been obliged to hold over the interesting suggestions of many of our readers, on the subject of paying for peals and in other ways increasing support for 'The Ringing World.'

A tablet recording a muffled peal rung in honour of the ringers of Solihull, who gave up their lives in the war, is to be unveiled at Solihull Parish Church to-morrow (Saturday), after a service at 5.30. The tablet has been erected by the parishioners.

The very excellent performance of R. A. Fardon in ringing at the age of 17, a peal of Stedman Cinques for his first peal, and that, too, at the first attempt, prompts the inquiry as to whether this is a record. Can any reader tell us if this or anything better has previously been done?

Mr. William Pye keeps piling up record upon record. He has now reached 150 peals of London Surprise Major.

The North Bucks Branch of the Oxford Guild is the latest organisation to join the movement of advertising meetings in 'The Ringing World' only. Other associations who have recently taken this action are the Kent and Norwich Associations. In these days of increased postage and other costs it saves the societies money—and helps 'The Ringing World.'

A non-conducted peal of Grandsire Triples (Groves' Variation of Parker's twelve-part) was rung at Twerton-on-Avon last Saturday.



## NOTICES.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the North Forest Branch will be held at Newent on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Tea provided by the Rector at the Parish Room at 5.30. All ringers welcome.—Joseph Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., Newent, near Gloucester.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Rishton on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next Monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 18th, at Shore Parish Church. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**BOLTON, LANCS.**—The bells of Holy Trinity will be opened on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells available 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.—Peter Crook, 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**ST. MARY'S, HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.**—The new ring of eight bells will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield on Saturday, Dec. 18th, at 3 o'clock. Tea will be provided at a moderate charge, and the bells open for ringing after dedication. All ringers welcome.—F. Watkinson.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Heene on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Free tea at the Church Rooms, Heene Road, at 3 o'clock. Business meeting to follow. All ringing friends welcome.—A. W. Groves, Div. Sec., 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

**DONCASTER AND ARKSEY SOCIETIES.**—Combined practice at St. George's, Doncaster, on Saturday, Dec. 18th, at 6.30. All ringers welcome. Plain Bob, Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob.—George Halksworth, Ringing Master.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary, Whitechapel, on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells ready 3.30. Short service 5.15, followed by tea (kindly provided by the Vicar).—F. G. Symonds, 157, High Street, N.W.1.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Bulwell on Saturday, Dec. 18th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All are welcome.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Belkirk Street, Carrington.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Hythe on Saturday, Dec. 18th, for combined practice in Stedman and Treble Bob methods to commence at 6.30. All ringers welcome.—C. Tribe, Hon. Dis. Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—The subscription of 1/8, which entitles

members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus on Dec. 23rd; Southwark Cathedral on the 21st, and \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 28th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The unveiling of War Memorial Tablet and Annual meeting on Boxing Day, Dec. 27th, will be as follows:—At 11 a.m., Service in Llandaff Cathedral and unveiling of tablet by the Bishop of Llandaff; at 4.30 p.m., Service in St. John's Church, Cardiff, to be followed by tea and business meeting in the Schoolroom. Cathedral bells available during the morning; Cardiff bells during the afternoon and evening. All ringers welcome.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION** for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—A general meeting of the Norwich Branch of the Association will be held at Diss on Thursday, Jan. 6th, 1921. The rings of eight bells at Diss and Palgrave will be available for the use of members. Dinner will be served at the Crown Hotel at 1.30 p.m. (tickets 3/6 each), followed by the general business meeting. Those who intend to be present at the dinner must send notice to the Secretary not later than Sunday, Jan. 2nd.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The next Quarterly meeting will on Jan. 15th, 1921, at Ashby-de-la-Zouch. Further particulars later.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION** for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—The district secretaries and leaders of companies that have not sent in the secretary's lists (dated Nov. 6th) for revision in respect of members' arrears and outstanding subscriptions for 1920, are kindly requested to do so, enclosing remittances not later than Dec. 22nd, for the purpose of revising the Register of Membership of the Association for 1920, upon which revision the number of Annual Reports for 1920, which will be issued free to members who have paid their subscriptions as decided at the Ipswich meeting, 1920, will be limited. The secretary would also be glad to receive for the Council Report short 'In Memoriams' of members who have died during the year 1920. Conductors of peals are kindly reminded to send in their peal references as usual at the end of the year.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL MEMORIAL APPEAL.**—The Association is very anxious to collect the remaining £50 at the earliest possible moment. Members and friends, please make an effort to give your donations. If you have already given and you can give more, please send direct to Hon. Sec., Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

The address of Mr. James Parker and Miss E. K. Parker (Hon. Sec. of the Ladies' Guild) is now 17, Wellington Road, Enfield, Middlesex.



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At Sutton-on-Hull, on Friday, Dec. 3rd, 720 of Sutton Treble Bob was rung by: A. Rodmell 1, A. M. G. Field 2, J. S. Calvert 3, H. Rodmell 4, G. F. Williams 5, L. Rodmell (conductor) 6. This method is Oxford Treble Bob, with Kent places substituted for Oxford at the calls. The band think it is probably rung now for the first time.

LONDON.—On Sunday, November 14th, for evening service, at St. Giles', Camberwell, 1277 Grandsire Caters: H. Flowers, jun., T. H. Taffender (conductor), A. D. Barker R. G. Chappelle, E. J. King, H. Choct, W. H. Fickett, G. Card, H. J. Gummer, A. A. Coward.

EGHAM, SURREY.—Winchester Diocesan Guild.—On Sunday, Nov. 14th, for morning service, a 1050 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. W. Shepherd 1, Miss N. E. Shorter 2, Miss N. Stevens 3, Miss L. Stevens 4, A. E. Bush 5, J. A. Crocker 6, W. Shephard (conductor) 7, F. Cummins 8.

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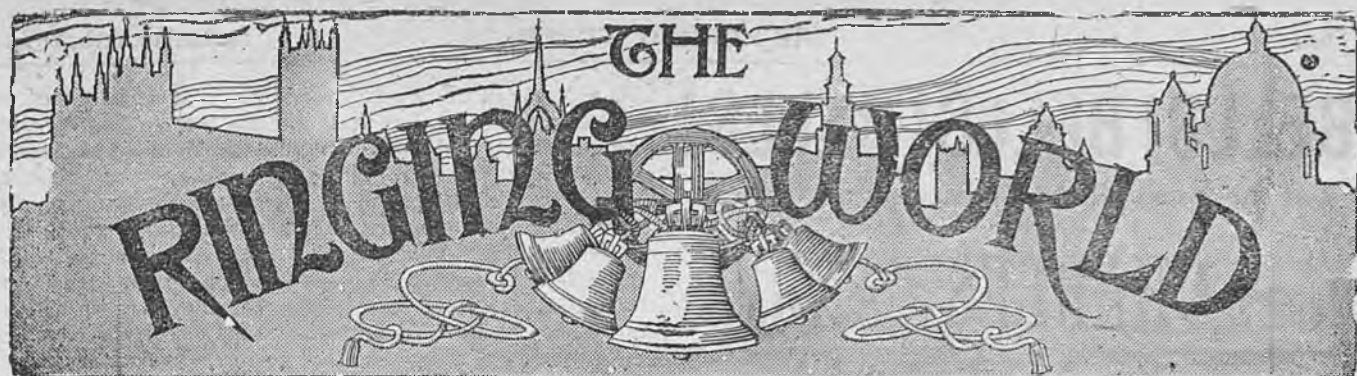
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## RINGERS TO DECIDE.

\* We publish to-day a further selection from the views of readers upon the suggestion by the Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Association that, as an additional source of revenue for this journal, payment should be made for the publication of the reports of peals. Opinions as to the advisability of this step vary, as was to be expected, and some of our correspondents put forward alternative proposals. For all the many kind expressions which have reached us we tender our thanks, and now that the subject has been ventilated we may summarise as follows the suggestions which have been made: (1) A charge for the insertion of peals; (2) a subsidy from the various Associations; (3) an increase of revenue from circulation by a considerable number of readers buying more than one copy per week or paying more for their usual single copy; and (4) increasing the price of the paper.

Now, may we say at once that we have long since considered all these points, but it has been helpful as well as interesting to have the views of some of our readers, and we appreciate them. As to charging for peal reports, we feel that it would be placing a tax upon one of the most important and interesting features of ringing, and might tend to prevent the publication of the complete record of peals rung, thus defeating one of the leading functions of a ringers' paper, viz., providing a record of all peal performances. With regard to the suggested subsidy, quite apart from whether Associations would be willing, and, even if willing, whether they would be financially able to agree to such a measure, our strong opinion is that the paper should stand on its own feet, and that if ringers desire to have a journal they should individually pay for it. In any event, it is doubtful if the whole of the Associations would be prepared to support a scheme for subsidising the paper, and if only a portion of them did so, there would inevitably arise heartburnings over real or imaginary grievances, and the Editor's lot would certainly not be a happy one.

There remain the two last suggestions, and these we will deal with together. There is a division of opinion as to whether or not the price of the paper should be raised, but those who oppose that step do so, we imagine, on the assumption that they do not favour any extra charge for a paper of the present size. It must be apparent to all that with the existing number of pages we are so cramped for room that it is impossible to publish anything like all the news that is sent to us. To make the journal worthy of the Exercise it must be enlarged, but before undertaking this additional responsibility we ask for some guarantee. Our proposal, therefore, is to pro-

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### TEN BELL PEALS.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.  
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

Tenor 40 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY... .. Treble	ERNEST BRETT ... .. 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... 7
ERNEST J. KING... .. 3	GEORGE CARD ... .. 8
JAMES SCHOLES ... .. 4	HORACE BELCHER ... .. 9
WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... 5	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.  
\* First attempt for Royal. Rung after meeting short for Stedman Cinques.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt.

GEORGE CLEAL ... .. Treble	JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 6
LOUIS ALLEN ... .. 2	RICHARD DEAL ... .. 7
FREDK. H. DEXTER ... 3	HARRY CHAPMAN... .. 8
HAROLD POOLE ... .. 4	WILLIAM WILLSON ... .. 9
HARRY BROUGHTON ... 5	AMOS TRIPPIER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

Mr. G. Cleal's 100th peal. Messrs. Deal, Chapman and Trippier, hail from Manchester, Mr. J. Oldham from Loughborough. The ringer of the 7th was elected a life member before starting.

NORTHAMPTON.—At All Saints' Church, on Advent Sunday, for evening service, a date touch of Kent Treble Bob Major (1920 changes), in 1 hour 18 minutes: W. Farey, junr., 1, A. Hensman 2, W. Atterbury 3, J. Dean 4, W. Farey, senr., 5, H. Rainbow 6, W. Allen 7, H. Blundell (conductor) 8. All are regular service ringers at the above church.

FULBOURN, CAMBS.—Ely and St. Edmundsbury Association.—At the Church of St. Vigars and All Saints, on November 21st, for evening service, 720 London Surprise Minor: G. Bridge 1, C. Hall 2, C. Patter 3, A. Page 4, J. Page 5, B. D. Buttress (conductor) 6. First in the method by all, and believed to be the first by a local company for the association. Rung at the second attempt.



**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE CHARLES ... .. Treble	ALBERT W. GOULDING ... 5
OLIVER E. THOMAS ... .. 2	JOHN AUSTIN ... .. 6
J. C. GOULDING ... .. 3	JOHN W. DAVIS ... .. 7
NOAH REES ... .. 4	FREDERICK SANDFORD ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of the parents of J. C. and A. W. Goulding, also as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW, BETHNAL GREEN, E.,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

ALBERT RILEY ... .. Treble	ISAAC J. ATTWATER ... .. 5
JAMES BULLOCK ... .. 2	WILLIAM BERRY ... .. 6
ERNEST E. HOLMAN ... .. 3	HUGH HILLS ... .. 7
WILLIAM E. JUDD ... .. 4	HENRY C. TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ISAAC J. ATTWATER.

\* First attempt for a peal.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, Nov. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, ROTHERHITHE, S.E.,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

GEORGE J. HARMAN ... .. Treble	HORATIO J. GUMMER ... 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	WILLIAM BERRY ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. 7
ERNEST J. KING ... .. 4	ALBERT A. COWARD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Nov. 25, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MATFELON, WHITECHAPEL, E.,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE J. HARMAN, SEN. ... Treble	GEORGE CARD ... .. 5
EDWARD WALLAGE ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 3	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... .. 4	HUGH HILLS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.

THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE LATIMER CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

H. EDWARD NORMAN ... .. Treble	T. HENRY HARDY ... .. 5
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 2	JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 6
MISS HILDA WILLSON ... 3	JAMES HARRIS ... .. 7
MRS. T. H. HARDY ... .. 4	WILLIAM WILLSON ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

First peal of Major on these bells, recently re-hung and augmented by Mr. A. Bowell, of Ipswich. The company tender their thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells and to Mr. Atkinson for his hospitality.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

*JOSEPH LAST ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. FINCH ... .. 5
FRANK L. FISHER ... .. 2	*GEORGE W. ABLITT ... .. 6
*GEORGE PRYKE ... .. 3	GEORGE FLEMING ... .. 7
ALBERT FLEMING ... .. 4	CHARLES E. FISHER ... .. Tenor

Composed by B. ANNABLE. Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

\* First peal in method, and first peal in the method as conductor.

BUNBURY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BONIFACE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

*HARRY WOODWARD ... .. Treble	RICHARD T. HOLDING ...
ROBERT SPERRING ... .. 2	ARTHUR NEWELL ... ..
GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 3	JAMES V. WRIGHT ... .. 7
HARRY OVERTON ... .. 4	*HERBERT WM. DEVENPORT Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

The band wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells and Mr. Mosford for having everything ready. \* First peal, and made members of the Guild before starting. They are local men.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE ALLDER ... .. Treble	JESSE ELDRIDGE ... .. 5
WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 2	ARTHUR MARTIN ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 3	GEORGE MARTIN ... .. 7
CECIL C. MAYNE ... .. 4	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER. Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

A compliment to the steeplekeeper on his 63rd birthday.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 24 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lb.

EDWARD REEVES ... .. Treble	REUBEN HALL ... .. 5
ALBERT E. NORMAN ... .. 2	BERT HORTON ... .. 6
THOMAS H. REEVES ... .. 3	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 7
JOHN JAGGAR ... .. 4	BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

This peal was specially arranged in honour of Mr. James George's 67th birthday.

RAWTENSTALL, LANCs.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt.

THOS. ROLLERSON ... .. Treble	GEO. H. HARGREAVES ... 5
*ERNEST TAYLOR ... .. 2	THOS. COLLINGE ... .. 6
*SMITH W. RILEY ... .. 3	JAS. ROLLERSON ... .. 7
HERBERT H. SHAW ... .. 4	*ALEX. RIDEOUGH ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN HOLT. Conducted by T. COLLINGE.

\* First peal in the method.

READING, BERKS.—Oxford Guild.—On Sunday, Nov. 21st, at Giles' Church, for evensong, 720 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: L. T. Osborne 1, G. Wheeler 2, G. Goodship 3, G. Wiggan 4, A. Bailey 5, H. Egby 6, A. Osborne 7, A. W. Osborne (conductor) 8. Longest length in the method by all except the conductor.

BERINGTON, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD AND  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt.

*WALTER J. BATTLE ... .. Treble	THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN. ... 5
†CLAUDE DAVIES... .. 2	GEORGE R. NEWTON ... .. 6
HENRY FYLES ... .. 3	SYDNEY F. BARNES ... .. 7
*ARTHUR LINTOTT ... .. 4	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. MORGAN. Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in any method on a working bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 5th.

OHADDESLEY-CORBETT, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Cassion,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHORT ... .. Treble	JOHN SMITH ... .. 5
JOHN BASS ... .. 2	SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 6
ALFRED DAVIES ... .. 3	JOHN WITHERS ... .. 7
THOMAS J. SALTER ... .. 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

Quarterly peal for this branch. First Surprise peal on the bells.

WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

ALFRED J. BOLL ... .. Treble	CHARLES PALMER ... .. 5
JOHN T. RICKMAN ... .. 2	WILLIAM C. HART ... .. 6
ALBERT D. STONE ... .. 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS... .. 7
WILLIAM STEED ... .. 4	KRITH HART ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL. Conducted by O. SIPPETTS.

Rung after meeting short for Superlative.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicolas,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

ERNEST DUMPER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... 5
REGINALD BROWN ... .. 2	CHARLES J. FRAY ... .. 6
JOHN W. FAITHFUL ... .. 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. 7
OWEN H. GILES ... .. 4	*WILLIAM T. TUCKER... .. Tenor

Composed by J. GEORGE. Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

Rung as a birthday peal to the composer, and also the ringer of the 3rd. \* 150th peal.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Nov. 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

HARRY HALL ... .. Treble	EDWARD JENKINS... .. 5
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 2	THOMAS W. LAST ... .. 6
ERNEST E. GRIMES ... .. 3	ERNEST E. LANHAM ... .. 7
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 4	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by W. C. RUMSEY.

ALDFORD, CHESHIRE. — On November 18th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, in 28 mins.: \*W. Sambles 1, \*John Dunning 2, W. Thomas 3, J. Morgan 4, A. E. Richards 5, H. W. Wilde (conductor) 6. \* 1st 720 in the method. Also 720 Double Oxford Bob Minor, in 27 mins.: J. Thomas 1, J. Morgan 2, W. Thomas 3, W. Thomas, senr., 4, A. E. Richards 5, H. W. Wilde (conductor) 6.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

DENBY, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, four of Kent Treble Bob, and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*J. ARTHUR ORGILL ... .. Treble	†GEORGE WM. BRAME ... 4
†WILFRED H. BUXTON ... 2	*WILLIAM A. PARSONS ... 5
†WILLIAM POYSER ... .. 3	JOSEPH LORD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal in three methods.

WHATTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. John of Beverley,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double and Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

SIDNEY PROCTOR ... .. Treble	WALTER WHITE ... .. 4
ARTHUR C. STOKES ... .. 2	FREDERICK W. STOKES ... 5
REV. C. J. STURTON ... .. 3	ARTHUR MACKKARS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. MACKKARS.

SHARNBROOK, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's each called differently.

E. CHARLES ALLEN ... .. Treble	ALBERT J. BARCOCK ... .. 4
W. ARCHDALE NORMAN ... 2	R. CHARLES ALLEN ... .. 5
GILBERT F. BELL ... .. 3	EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD P. DUFFIELD.

MALINS LEE, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Leonard,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's of Kent, one of Gwdsire and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES R. LILLEY ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 4
FRANK P. MOLE ... .. 2	EDWARD WOODVINE ... .. 5
GEORGE L. HEWITT ... .. 3	ALBERT WOODVINE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\* First peal of Minor.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Woodbine and two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Bob Minor, each called differently. Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN SPENCER ... .. Treble	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 4
GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... 2	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 5
EDGAR BAILEY ... .. 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. James George. 50th peal as conductor.

SANDHURST, BERKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(SONNING DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 of Cambridge Surprise, and two 720's each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

CYRIL W. BARLOW ... .. Treble	ERIC H. BARLOW... .. 4
CHARLES DOE ... .. 2	GEORGE ENGLEFIELD... .. 5
AUGUSTUS COLLINS ... .. 3	JOHN MOTH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN MOTH.

First peal by ringers of treble, 4th and 5th, and first peal with an inside bell by ringer of 3rd.

**SILSDEN.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Nov. 27, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of St. James,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of New London, Duke of York, Woodbine, Violet,  
Kent, Oxford, Oxford Delight. Tenor 12 cwt.

*JOHN AYREY ... .. Treble	RICHARD BROWN ... .. 4
*JOHN MIDDLETON ... .. 2	A. ELLIS LAMBERT ... .. 5
CHRISTOPHER BROWN ... .. 3	JOHN HILL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. E. LAMBERT.

\* First peal. The ringers of the 3rd and tenor belong to Kildwick

**LAMBERHURST, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,*

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford Bob and Canterbury Pleasure and  
three of Plain Bob.

ALBERT RELFE ... .. Treble	ANDREW MARSHALL ... .. 4
FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN. ... .. 2	ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... .. 5
REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... .. 3	FREDK. J. LAMBERT, JUN. ... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

**WISSETT, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

(HALESWORTH DISTRICT.)

*On Tuesday, Nov. 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew,*

**PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES**

Being seven 720's. Tenor 10 cwt.

FREDK. C. LAMBERT ... .. Treble	ARTHUR H. TOOK ... .. 4
WALTER KERRISON ... .. 2	JAMES HOWARD ... .. 5
JOHN LARTER ... .. 3	CHARLES MOSS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. C. LAMBERT.

Rung to celebrate St. Andrew's Day.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

**HARWICH, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, Nov. 25, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,*

*At 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS

Composed by CALEB FENN. Conducted by the Performer.

Umpire: GEORGE THOMPSON.

Witnesses: GEORGE JORDAN, WILLIAM BUDD & AYNLEY ALDEKTON.

**LONDON.**

**THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

(SOUTHERN DISTRICT AND THE ST. GILES', CAMBERWELL, SOCIETY.)

*On Friday, Nov. 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,*

*IN THE TOWER OF ST. GILES, CAMBERWELL, S.E.,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;**

ERNEST J. KING ... .. 1-2	ISAAC ATTWATER ... .. 5-6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 3-4	ALBERT C. V. GASSON ... .. 7-8
WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... .. 9-10	

Composed by G. R. FARDON. Conducted by T. H. TAFFENDER.

Umpire: REGINALD G. MARSHALL.

**MONKSEATON, NORTHUMBERLAND.**

**THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tuesday, Nov. 30, 1920, in Two Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,*

*At the North Farm,*

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

RICHARD A. GOFTON ... .. 1-2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... .. 5-6
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... .. 3-4	R. ALDER GOFTON ... .. 7-8

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

This is the first peal of Major on handbells by the ringer of 1-2. He had only one practice, and rang the peal at the second attempt 5 days before he attained the age of 17.

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**BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c.**

In order to accommodate the reports of the large number of peals that have recently been rung, next week's issue of 'The Ringing World' will consist of four extra pages, and the price will be 3d.

### BELFRY GOSSIP.

A new treble, to make a peal of six, has been added at South Stoke, Oxon, by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and, with a new clock, was dedicated on Wednesday in last week. The bell has been given by Mr. A. D. Nind in memory of the parishioners who fell in the war, and the clock by his three surviving sons in memory of their father, the Rev. P. H. Nind, for 42 years Vicar of the parish.

Up to the present £270 has been subscribed towards the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association War Memorial, and another £25 is needed.

The Hon. Secretary of St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, writing with regard to Mr. A. R. Fardon's first peal, congratulates him upon his fine performance. He adds that on August 23rd, 1904, Harold Witchell, son of Bernard of that ilk, rang the 2nd to a peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Martin's, when he was just turned 16 years of age, and struck it well throughout. It was not his first peal.

Mr. Fred Dexter, of Leicester, writing on the same subject, says:—The following may not be better than Mr. R. A. Fardon's peal of Stedman Cinques, but it is certainly worth recording. Mr. H. J. Poole, in February of this year, joined St. Martin's Society, Leicester, at 17 years of age, when his knowledge of ringing was limited to Grandsire Doubles, but before his 18th birthday he had to his credit peals of Stedman Triples, Supralative, Cambridge and Kent Royal. He has since added Stedman Cutters, and is now ringing Cambridge Royal and Low on, and hopes to score peals of those in the near future. As regards Cinques, well, Leicester is badly placed for a peal of 12, so the opportunity is not present; otherwise —

O. W. Woolley, a pupil of the Rev. E. Banks James, in a double sense (scholastic and ringing), and son of the Rector of Long Stanton, has gained a scholarship open to boys under 14 years of age at Dover College.

### HEREFORD GUILD'S PROPOSED MEMORIAL.

#### PROJECTED RECASTING OF A CITY TENOR.

At a meeting of the Hereford District of the Hereford Diocesan Guild at Lugwardine, it was decided to recommend the Guild to raise funds for the recasting of the tenor at All Saints', Hereford, as a memorial to those members of the diocesan organisation who fell in the war.

The matter was brought forward by Mr. C. Edwards, the district secretary, who said that in nearly every diocese of the country the bell ringing associations had done something in the way of erecting a memorial to their ringers who had given their lives in the war. They in that Guild had lost upwards of 40 members, who had laid down their lives to save our churches and our bells, and he thought that the authorities of the church he would mention might be approached with a view to obtaining their permission to re-cast a bell as a memorial to those fallen ringers, and to have inscribed a suitable inscription. Proceeding, Mr. Edwards said the tower he had in mind was All Saints', Hereford, where there was one of the finest peals of eight bells in the county. One of the bells—the tenor—had been cracked for some 50 years, and he mentioned, en passant, that Mr. J. J. Jones, who was present that evening, had at one time rung this bell. He was confident that the necessary funds would be raised, and that the authorities could be interested in the project, and he, therefore, moved that it be put on foot, and that the general secretary communicate with the authorities on the subject.

In the discussion that followed Mr. Edwards agreed that the matter would have to go before the committee meeting and then the annual meeting, but he was all for going on at once with the preparation of the scheme. Later, Mr. Edwards said he entertained the view that one particular firm in England should be entrusted with the work, for, he said, 'if some firms get hold of it they will want to put the whole lot of bells in the melting-pot.' He further intimated to the meeting that he had even gone so far as to sound the firm he had in mind, and had ascertained that the whole cost of the project would be somewhere about £100.

The Rev. G. W. Turner considered this would not be a large sum, spread over their whole district.

Mr. Edwards confidently expressed the opinion that they had only to make an appeal for money, and they could get it for bells at any time. This view was generally supported by the meeting, and Mr. Jones seconding the proposal, it was unanimously carried, Mr. Edwards expressing the wish that Mr. Jones would be spared to ring the restored bell many times.

We understand that since the meeting, the approval of the authorities at All Saints' has been readily given to the scheme.



**'THE RINGING WORLD.'****READERS' SUGGESTIONS FOR MEETING THE COST.**

Many readers have sent their views on the proposal made by Mr. Cave that payment should be made for the publication of the reports of peals, and offering other suggestions to meet the situation. The Manchester Branch of the Lancashire Association, as will be seen, is against any charge being made, and the letters which are also published are representative of many others which have reached us.

At a meeting of the Manchester Branch of the Lancashire Association the question of the payment for the publication of peals was discussed, but met with no support. Everybody agreed that in the interests of ringing the paper should be supported sufficiently to enable it to stand on its own feet, and eventually the General Secretary of the Association was asked to communicate with the Secretary of the Central Council suggesting an arrangement between that body and the proprietors.

Mr. C. T. Coles (hon. sec. of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild) writes: The letters published show a variance of opinion on Mr. Cave's proposal that a charge should be made for the insertion of peals in 'The Ringing World,' and one cannot be surprised that there is such. There is much to be said both for and against the proposal, and whilst I have every sympathy with anything that may be done to assist our only paper, it certainly appears to me to be a dangerous policy to charge for the insertion of 'news,' whether peals or anything else. During the past few years some hundreds of newspapers have ceased publication altogether, generally for the same reason, that of decreasing circulation, added to the ever-growing cost of production, and the surprising fact is that 'The Ringing World' has not followed suit. It seems only to be expected that the circulation, which must have been smaller during the war period, should take some time to recover, and it is still possibly much lower than the pre-war average. My own view is that an increased circulation is the only real remedy, much better than subsidies or payments for inserting news (and thus possibly keeping news away), and as an alternative to Mr. Cave's suggestion might I put forward the following:—All those ringers who really value our paper should take an extra copy per week for the next twelve months, and during that period use every endeavour to obtain new readers. Even at a low estimate of the number of readers who might be expected to respond the circulation should thus go up by 50 per cent. almost at once, which would at any rate be a great help. During next year, association officials should do all in their power to push the paper, and every effort ought to be made to bring to an end the practice of one copy 'doing' for one tower. Might I, therefore, appeal to ringers generally to help increase the circulation by the above means, otherwise it appears to be inevitable that 'The Ringing World' will go out of existence. As an association secretary myself, I hesitate to think of the consequences of such a calamity. The order for my own extra copy has already been given to my newsagent.

The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, hon. secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild: I think a fee for insertion quite a legitimate and reasonable source of revenue, but if it were made a poll tax on the number of ringers taking part, the conductor might often fight shy of collecting it. It appears to me more practicable to charge a flat rate on all peals published, with, perhaps, a reduction on quantity in the case of peals rung by the same band on consecutive days.

Mr. G. R. Newton (Liverpool): With regard to Mr. Cave's excellent suggestion, my opinion is that if a peal is well and truly rung it is worth publishing at the expense of each individual member of the band that took part in it. I am quite prepared to admit that peal ringers who have to travel for peals have been very heavily hit by the high cost of railway fares, etc., but I am quite sure even those who are so situated would not begrudge payment of the nominal sum suggested for the recording of their peals. I feel quite sure all that have the welfare of ringing at heart will do all in their power to make your valuable paper more successful.

Mr. C. A. Valentine (Stony Stratford): I quite agree with Mr. Cave's suggestion. I don't think anyone would complain, and those who have the most benefit by it would be those who would have to pay. I also think the associations generally should make a grant once a year because they benefit by the reports which appear.

Mr. F. Kilborn (Leicestershire): I wonder how many ringers realise that 'The Ringing World' is the only link we have throughout the kingdom, and what it would mean to the Exercise if it should cease to exist? I wonder, too, how many ringers would cease to attempt a peal if they knew there was no journal through which their performance could be recorded? I fear the Exercise would collapse. It is a great pity, but I'm afraid that ringers do not realise how their own little help might save the whole situation. We know there are many ringers who do not take a copy of 'The Ringing World.' But worse

than that, there are many bellfries even where not a single member owns a copy of the publication. Mr. Cave's suggestion of a 2d. levy per ringer for every peal is a good one. But better still if every ringer would buy a copy of the paper instead. The journal is absolutely essential if the Exercise wishes to exist at all.

As suggestions are called for, may I put one forward. 'The Ringing World' by post is 2s. 6d. per quarter. Could we not secure a list of 200 or 300 amongst the Exercise who would be willing to make it 5s. a quarter until things became a little more normal? If this should appeal to any of the ringing community, then you may include my name right away. This would not, of course, affect the price to the ordinary weekly subscriber. Or, another suggestion, that every association order a certain number of copies for sale and distribution at every monthly or quarterly meeting, etc. Undoubtedly in this way many copies could be disposed of, especially if the necessity was impressed upon the ringers of a larger circulation if the journal is to be kept in existence.

Mr. B. S. Thompson (Great Yarmouth): In the first place, would the payment of a small fee for publication of peals be acceptable to the Exercise? To the ringer whose enthusiasm is unimpaired by the years of war-strain it would be, but to the majority it would not be, and I am afraid would to a certain extent affect the circulation, which, by the way, is not nearly so good as it should be. Secondly, would the amount thus realised be sufficient for the purpose of raising the standard of our paper? I think not. What then is to be done? either increase of the price, or a substantial income guaranteed from some source. Dealing with increase of price another penny per copy would do a lot towards bringing the paper more in line with its pre-war standard; surely the Exercise would not grumble at that, they are paying without so much as a murmur more than twice as much for their beer and 'baccy' as in 1914. If this is considered inadvisable, then how can money be brought in to back the ringers' organ, and make it worthy of its name (nothing detrimental to you, Mr. Editor)? What's to prevent every Association, Society and Guild doing its part? The majority of these are in a financially sound position, and have balances in hand, and from what I read of the various annual meetings there is not much to fear that they will not be so in the future. Why should not all ringing organisations subscribe to 'The Ringing World,' say, a fixed sum annually per 100 members; for example, say, £1; that would give an assured substantial annual income.

The associations in turn to meet this expenditure could economise in their annual reports, by not publishing their peals in detail, but give them in a summary form; peals of exceptional merit and interest could be inserted in detail. The present method is extravagant, for what need is there for peals to be published in detail twice?

Personally, I think they should appear in the ringers' paper so that all the Exercise may know what everybody else is doing, and thus keep alive the element of competition which is very necessary.

As all our associations are well organised, it would surely be no trouble for each one to obtain the feelings of its members on the subject, and make it possible for the matter to be discussed at the next Central Council meeting.

**MANCHESTER MEN ON THE WARPATH.**

A few men from Cottonopolis have been peal hunting lately. Since Mr. Amos Triprier was elected councillor for Eccles—a place famous for cakes—he determined to uphold its reputation. A peal at St. Saviour's, Southwark, was followed by a peal of Caters at Loughborough, after which their guide, philosopher and friend, Mr. F. G. Rimmington, of Manchester, who, although not personally a ringer, is most enthusiastic, organised a trip to Leicester for two scalps, viz., Stedman Caters at St. Martin's, and Triples at an old-world village, King's Norton, in Leicestershire. The Caters came off all right, but the piece de resistance was the Triples. King's Norton bells were put in by Squire Fortrey—one of the subscribers to John Holt's broadsheet in 1750—and only one peal has ever been rung on them, viz., in 1816, by the Leicester ringers. The 'go' is terrible for the 7-8 men, but by patching up it was thought it might be possible to screw a peal out of them. A 504 was, however, all that was possible, and, it seems that not even the great James—late of Rugby—could ring the tenor through. It may be mentioned that Amos had a succession of Turkish baths, while Harry Chapman will certainly not be able to compete with the corpulent Arbuckle for a season or so. However, 'tis better to have lugged and lost, than never to have lugged at all!

The thanks of all concerned are due and hereby tendered to Mr. Rimmington, who left no stone unturned for the attempt, and should the bells of Norton be rehung it will be an ideal spot for peal ringing. Few people know that so grand a ring of eight, with a tenor of a ton, lie hidden some ten miles out of Leicester. W. W.

**ROYAL EXCHANGE BELLS.**

There was a great gathering of Pressmen at the Croydon Bell Foundry last Friday, when the new peal of 13 bells for the Royal Exchange were on view. A special article dealing with the event will appear in our next issue.

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### DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD. SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT BILSTON.

A quarterly meeting of the Dudley and District Guild was held at St. Leonard's Church, Bilston, Staffs, on Saturday, November 27th when over forty members, representing various towers, attended. The fine peal of bells (8) were available, and were kept merrily going, and the beautiful Guild service was conducted by the Rev. Canon G. E. Ford (Vicar of Bilston), who also gave a very interesting address. At the close of the service, an adjournment was made to the School-room, where a bountiful tea was in readiness. Before sitting down to tea, Mr. Churchwarden Lingard, on behalf of the Vicar, his co-warden, and the Church Council, gave the members a hearty welcome to Bilston, with a sincere hope that they may visit them again soon.—Mr. R. Mason, on behalf of the Guild, thanked Mr. Lingard for his kind words of welcome. After tea, the business meeting was presided over by the Vicar of Bilston, who was supported by his churchwardens, Messrs. E. A. K. Lingard and T. K. Eckstein, Mr. John Goodman junr. (Ringing Master), and Mr. Harry Mason.—The Secretary very feelingly referred to the great loss the Guild had sustained since their last meeting, by the death of Mr. John Smith, parish clerk, Tipton Parish Church, who was one of the founders of this Guild, and for 20 years secretary of the Worcestershire Association; also of Mr. Albert Little, of St. Peter's company, Wolverhampton.—Mr. Mason also referred to the work of the late Mr. Smith in connection with the Guild, and he proposed that a letter of condolence be sent to the families of the deceased.—The motion was passed by the members standing in silence.

The secretary was also instructed to send a letter congratulating Mr. W. R. Small on his attaining his 81st birthday, with best wishes and a sincere hope that he may be spared for many years yet to come.

Several new members were elected, including the Vicar of Bilston and his wardens, and Mr. F. G. Atkins as hon. members.—It was proposed that the quarterly peal for the Guild be attempted at St. Leonard's, Bilston, the necessary arrangements being left in the hands of Mr. F. Colclough.

The next meeting, which is the annual one, will be held at Dudley, in February.

At the close of the meeting, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for his great kindness in consenting to the Guild holding its meeting at Bilston, for his address, for conducting the service in church, and for presiding at the meeting; to the churchwardens for their presence and support; to the donors of the tea, to the ladies presiding at the tables and those ladies who prepared and served it; to the organist and choir for their musical part of the service which greatly helped to make the service bright and cheerful; to Mr. F. Colclough and his fellow ringers for making the necessary arrangements, and to all who had assisted in making this meeting another most successful and pleasant one.

After the Vicar had closed the meeting, the members again set the bells merrily going.

### DEATH OF A WORCESTERSHIRE RINGER.

With deep regret we have to record the death of Mr. Hubert Salisbury, of Elmly Castle, Worcestershire, in his 46th year. Deceased was well known in the Southern Branch of the Worcestershire Association, being always willing to help young hands in their initial stages, or go anywhere for a peal. He was operated on for tumour in a London Hospital on November 27th, and passed away on the 30th.

The funeral took place on Saturday, December 4th. The body was brought from London on Friday, and placed in Little Comberton Church (of which deceased was organist), a short service being held in the evening. Friends and ringers from the district attended the last sad rites on Saturday, and, with the family mourners, filled the church. The service was taken by the Rev. W. D. Loundes (Rector), and the Rev. Harcourt Fowler, of Elmly Castle, read the lesson. A course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells at the graveside by: G. J. Hemming 1—2, Miss Ellen M. Johnson 3—4, F. J. Johnson 5—6, J. Hemming 7—8. After the service, a half-muffled quarter-peal of Minor (1440 changes) was rung at Little Comberton, being 720 each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, by: H. Brown 1, Miss Ellen M. Johnson 2, O. Attwood 3, W. Ricketts 4, J. Hall 5, F. J. Johnson (conductor) 6. Half-muffled touches of Grandsire Doubles were also rung at Elmly Castle, in which the following took part: Miss Alice Lampitt, G. Hemming, W. Bennett, C. Holford, R. Harris, G. Ashley and F. Rolls.

A very large number of beautiful wreaths were sent, including one from the ringers and choir of Little Comberton; one from Elmly Castle ringers, and one from the Southern Branch of the Worcestershire and District Association. Ringers present besides those mentioned were: Mr. J. Dolphin, of Pershore, the Little Comberton and Elmly Castle ringers.

The Sussex Association, which lost 50 members in the war, is discussing the question of a memorial, and the matter is to come up at the next annual general meeting.

### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

#### WAR MEMORIAL FUND.

A tea and social, organised by a few Bristol ringers in aid of the funds of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association's War Memorial was a great financial success. Ringers and their friends provided sufficient food for 200, and even then there was over £1 in money not spent. The total receipts were £13 4s. 7d., which has been handed to the treasurer. The association extends its thanks to all those who assisted to make this great effort for its memorial fund.

Over 100 sat down to tea, and it is worthy of note that this is the biggest gathering of the Western ringers for several years. After the tea there was a most excellent display of vocal and instrumental talent, whilst two excellent and humorous recitations were most heartily appreciated.

The Bristol Branch has been working very hard for the fund, and they now appeal to all their branches to do their utmost to secure the success so richly deserved. Twenty per cent. of the members who served in H.M. forces gave their lives. Surely those that remain can give a trifle. The amount received is given below, and an appeal for the last £50 is made in our notice columns:—

	£	s.	d.
Amount previously acknowledged in these columns ...	231	18	9
Wotton Branch Meeting Collection ...	1	10	0
Parish Church, Swindon ...	1	0	0
Mr. James Full-Eberle (Bristol) ...	5	0	0
Mr. L. Moore (Pill) ...	0	10	0
Brunswick Engineering Co. (Bristol) ...	1	0	0
St. Thomas' Church, Bristol ...	1	16	0
Tea and Social, Bristol ...	13	14	7
	£256	7	4
Outstanding amounts collected, but not yet received ...	14	0	0
Aggregate ...	£270	7	4

### BELLS IN SYDNEY.

#### To the Editor

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. Ellsmore's inquiry, re bells in Sydney, Australia, I am pleased to be able to give some information, which I hope will meet his requirements. I have not written to Mr. Ellsmore personally, thinking that the subject may be of interest to the majority of your readers.

St. Mary's Cathedral (R.C.): 8 bells, tenor 26 cwt.

St. Philip's, Winyard Square: 8 bells, tenor 20 cwt. (also two semi-tone bells).

St. Jude, Randwick: 8 steel bells, tenor about 20 cwt.

St. Mark, Darling Point: 6 bells, tenor 9 cwt.

There is also a peal of six, tenor about 11 cwt., in George Street. I have forgotten the dedication of the church; and at Parramatta (15 miles from Sydney): 6 bells, tenor 10 cwt.

I believe this completes the list. The peal of six in George Street is by Taylor. The remainder (excepting, of course, Randwick) are by Mears and Stainbank. There was at one time a peal of six at St. Benedict's, but some of those bells have disappeared.

I have rung on all the above bells with the exception of St. Philip's where the tower is supposed to be unsafe, and has been closed for some years. The bells are said to be very good, and I believe the first peal in Australia was rung on them, conducted by Mr. J. L. Murray, of Melbourne.

The best peal is at St. Mary's Cathedral. The bells hang in a very large central tower, and while I was living in the town (1914-15) went well. I do not know that ringing is done there now, but at the time of which I am writing, it was usually possible to raise Grandsire Triples, occasionally Stedman and Bob Major. I do not know whether a peal has been scored on these bells. I think the nearest approach was an attempt for Holt's Original, conducted by Mr. A. E. Barnes, of Melbourne, which came to grief through the collapse of the tenor man in the last few leads.

The less said about Randwick the better. I believe the first peal on these bells has yet to be rung, but the job will require a band of heroes. The bells here have been christened 'camp ovens.'

The three peals of six mentioned all went well, but on my only visit to Parramatta, it was impossible to score a 720, owing to the treble rope continually slipping wheel. It was possible to get some Minor ringing at Darling Point, and at the church in George Street there was a local band who rang 'stony' from boards on the floor, and made terribly hard work of it.

If Mr. Ellsmore is thinking of going to Sydney, I should advise him not to expect very much in the way of ringing, but he may find conditions more favourable there than in any other town in the Commonwealth. If he is interested in chess, some of the Sydney ringers will give him a good game, particularly my friend, Mr. Chas. Porter. The address of Mr. R. H. Macdonald (conductor at St. Mary's) is 66, Great Buckingham Street, Redfern.—Yours faithfully,

RICHARD F. DEAL.



## NOTICES.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—The subscription of 1/8, which entitles members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meeting for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on Dec. 28th, at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

**LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The unveiling of War Memorial Tablet and Annual meeting on Boxing Day, Dec. 27th, will be as follows:—At 11 a.m., Service in Llandaff Cathedral and unveiling of tablet by the Bishop of Llandaff; at 4.30 p.m., Service in St. John's Church, Cardiff, to be followed by tea and business meeting in the Schoolroom. Cathedral bells available during the morning; Cardiff bells during the afternoon and evening. All ringers welcome.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

**HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.**—The new ring of eight bells, cast at the Loughborough Foundry, and dedicated on Dec. 18th, will be open for ringing on Monday, Dec. 27th, 1920, from 11 a.m. Tea will be arranged, at a moderate charge, at 4.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. Watkinson, 159, Hall Road, Sheffield.

**SALISBURY GUILD.**—Devizes Branch. — Annual meeting of above at Trowbridge on Saturday, Jan. 1st, 1921. Ringing commencing at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting.—Sydney G. Pepler, Hon. Branch Sec., Hilperton, Trowbridge.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—A meeting will be held at Hunslet on Saturday, Jan. 1st, 1921. Bells available from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. in the Parochial Hall.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION** for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—A general meeting of the Norwich Branch of the Association will be held at Diss on Thursday, Jan. 6th, 1921. The rings of eight bells at Diss and Palgrave will be available for the use of members. Dinner will be served at the Crown Hotel at 1.30 p.m. (tickets 3/6 each), followed by the general business meeting. Those who intend to be present at the dinner must send notice to the Secretary not later than Sunday, Jan. 2nd.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Ipswich Branch.—The third general meeting will be held in the Church Room, Leiston, on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921, at 4 p.m. By kind permission of the Rector the bells of the Parish Church will be available throughout the day.—E. Evans, Hon. Branch Secretary, 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District. — The quarterly meeting will be held at Tipton on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Will all intending to be present kindly advise me not later than Wednesday, Jan. 5th? Gentlemen cordially invited. Will all members kindly note change of secretary?—E. W. Salter, 10, Station Road, Erdington.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch. —The next annual branch meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Bells available at 5 p.m. Meeting at 7. Business: Election of branch secretary, etc.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec., 103, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Seaford on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Tower open 2 p.m. and onward. Service at 4 p.m. Tea (by kind invitation) 4.30 p.m. Half railway fare (maximum 2s.). Will those who intend to be present to tea please notify the undersigned not later than Tuesday, Jan. 4th? — A. D. Stone, Div. Hon. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District. — The next meeting of the above will be held at All Saints', Hull, on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Bells available from noon at All Saints' (8), St. Mary's, Lowgate (6), and Holy Trinity (10). Service in church at 4 p.m., with an address by the Vicar (the Rev. A. E. Smallwood). The Revs. E. A. Earp, of Holy Trinity, and the Rev. Canon England, of Hessle, have promised to be at the meeting. Tea at 5 p.m. at 1s. per head. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. T. Whitfield, 2, Springfield Avenue, Middleton Street, Hull, not later than Tuesday, Jan. 4th, 1921?—W. Hinton, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755). — Annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 11th, 1921, at St. Martin's Hotel, St. Martin's Lane, City, at 7.45 p.m. Ringing at St. Martin's from 6.30 to 7.30. All subscriptions are due at this meeting.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—The war memorial to fallen ringers will be unveiled and dedicated in Chelmsford Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1921, at 3.30 p.m., by the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford, President of the Association. Tea, at 5 p.m., will be provided, 1s. 9d. each, at Hicks' Restaurant, High Street, to those only who notify Mr. P. Timson, 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford, not later than Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Seats will be reserved for relatives of the fallen, and correspondents of each tower are requested to make this known to the families of all fallen members of their respective bands and invite them to be present. The cathedral bells will be rung half-muffled previous to the service. At 6 p.m. the muffles will be removed, and the bells will then be available for all ringers present.—C. H. Howard, Master, H. T. W. Eyre, Hon. Sec., The Temples, Witham.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL MEMORIAL APPEAL.**—The Association is very anxious to collect the remaining £50 at the earliest possible moment. Members and friends, please make an effort to give your donations. If you have already given and you can give more, please send direct to Hon. Sec., Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

Read the article on our front page, and don't forget to send your postcard to 'The Ringing World' Office, 63, Commercial Road, Woking.



**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**— Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

### GREETINGS.

To all our Readers—A Happy Christmas.

A Happy Christmas and the Best of Luck in the New Year to all ringing friends.—From J. Hunt, New Road, Taunton, and late of Guildford and London.

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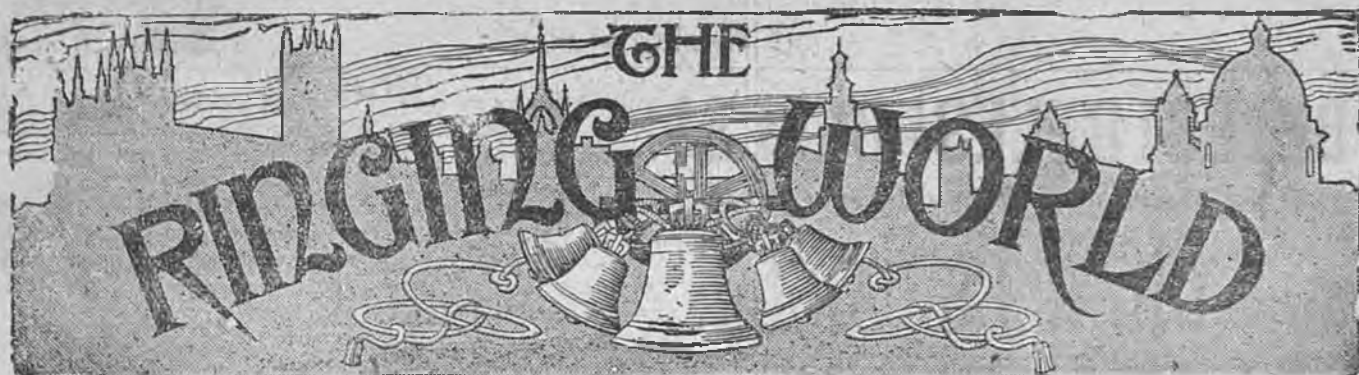
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## THE OLD YEAR AND THE NEW.

The immemorial custom of ringing out the old year and ringing in the new will be honoured to-night in many hundreds of towers throughout the land. Once more the ringers will play their part in awakening the emotions of the public, for probably at no other season, except at Christmas, are the sounds of the bells awaited with more popular expectancy than at the passing of the old year. There is always a solemnity about the occasion, as one hears the last seconds of the departing year tolled away; but, with the pealing of the bells that marks the advent of another year, these feelings give way to that new sense of hope and aspiration which dwells in the human heart, and which is so universally accentuated by the passage of time into a new year. We trust that for all our readers these hopes and aspirations will be fulfilled, and that the coming year may bring the fullest measure of happiness and prosperity.

The past year has been a very gratifying one for the Exercise, and recovery from the conditions compelled by the prolonged war has been most marked. The whole of the leading Associations have at last got back into working order, and there have been redoubled efforts made to wipe out the leeway of the years 1914—1918. The activities of the various organizations have been best displayed by the increasingly large number of meetings held and of peals rung, and there are very few towers now where the companies have not been brought up to pre-war strength. All this is very satisfactory evidence of the keenness of ringers, and shows what can be done by determined effort. Another extremely gratifying feature has been the growing standard of ringing, as exemplified by the greater number and wider distribution of the peals rung in the higher methods. This, of course, is not the only aim which ringers have, but it is happy evidence of increasing efficiency, and of the recovery of the Exercise after the drain of the war years.

There still remains much work for the Associations to do, and the coming year should see them strenuously occupied in strengthening their position and expanding their respective spheres of usefulness. There is no room for those who are content merely to sit down and let the future take care of itself. The new year is a time of good resolutions, and doubtless many will be made, only to be scrapped before a few days are over. It is better to make progressive efforts, and by steadily following them to achieve success, than to frame pretentious schemes which vanish with the progress of time. We hope that every Association will place still more prominently in the forefront of its programme, efforts, not only to teach beginners, but to

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still further raise the standard of efficiency among those bands which are on the lower rungs of the campanological ladder, and who are striving without much success to climb to greater heights. This is a phase of propaganda work which has been but indifferently pursued in the past, and, as the future of the Associations largely depends upon these struggling bands, here is one important direction in which our large organisations can find definite and useful work in the year before them.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Forty-One Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

JOSEPH MELLOR ... .. Treble	*RICHARD T. HOLDING ... 7
CHARLES BOWER ... .. 2	*WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. 8
SAMUEL WOOD ... .. 3	*GEORGE JONES ... .. 9
HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 4	*WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... 10
HARRY HEAP ... .. 5	BENJAMIN THORP ... .. 11
SAMUEL BOOTH ... .. 6	*CHARLES R. LILLEY ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by SAMUEL WOOD.

\* First peal of Treble Twelve. The above ringers are also members of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society and the St. Chad's Society, Shrewsbury. First peal of Treble Twelve for the Salop Guild. Composition now rung for the first time. Benjamin Thorpe was proposed a member of the Salop Guild before starting the peal. The ringers of the treble, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 6th and 11th are local ringers; 4th hails from Chester, 7th from Crewe, 8th from Coalbrookdale, 10th from Market Drayton, 9th and tenor from St. Chad's, Shrewsbury.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

WALTHAMSTOW, M.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... Treble	GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. ... 6
WILLIAM B. SMITH ... .. 2	FRED C. MAYNARD ... .. 7
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 3	GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... 8
ALBERT A. HUGHES ... .. 4	JOHN ARMSTRONG ... .. 9
JAMES C. ADAMS ... .. 5	ALFRED G. CRANE ... Tenor

Composed by F. HORWOOD. Conducted by JOHN ARMSTRONG.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. W. D. Smith and A. G. Crane.

WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(THE WORCESTER CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

On Saturday, Dec. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;**

Tenor 50 cwt.

WILLIAM POWELL ... .. Treble	*ALBERT HILL ... .. 6
FRANCIS W. NEATE ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. EDGINGTON ... 7
WILLIAM C. JONES ... .. 3	JOHN JEFFERIES ... .. 8
JOHN MORRIS ... .. 4	EDWARD WATKINS ... .. 9
WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 5	WILLIAM H. JOHNSON ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by A. HILL.

\* First peal of Caters as conductor.

PONTEFRAC, YORKS.—On Sunday, December 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1259 changes): W. Pearson 1, J. H. Lenton 2, J. Carter 3, A. Walker, junr. (aged 17) 4, W. Hawley (aged 17) 5, T. Holder 6, H. Walters (conductor) 7, J. Jackson 8, A. Walker, senr., 9, W. Senior 10. First quarter-peal of Caters by all except 1 and 9.



**NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.**  
**THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Woolos,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5183 CHANGES**

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

SIDNEY DAWE ... .. Treble	CHARLES GREEDY ... .. 6
CLARENCE O. HOBBS ... .. 2	*WILLIAM PHILLIPS ... .. 7
WILLIAM B. BISS ... .. 3	FREDERICK VILES ... .. 8
JOHN BULLEN ... .. 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN ... .. 9
WILLIAM HEATH ... .. 5	JOHN W. JONES ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by F. CHAMBERLAIN.

\* First peal of Caters. Specially arranged and rung on the eve as a birthday compliment to both J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., and W. B. Biss, an ex-Master of the Association, who were born on Dec. 5th, 1865.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

**BOCLES, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, Nov. 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

T. BARLOW ... .. Treble	F. PAGE ... .. 5
S. WOOD ... .. 2	H. CHAPMAN ... .. 6
T. WORSLEY ... .. 3	J. W. WASHBROOK, SEN. ... .. 7
J. POTTER ... .. 4	A. TRIPPIER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by J. W. WASHBROOK, SEN.

Rung in honour of the third year of office of the Mayor (Alderman A. Bethel), a highly esteemed citizen of the ancient borough.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**  
(SURFLEET SOCIETY.)

On Monday, Nov. 29, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb.

RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Treble	*ERNEST FLOWERS ... .. 5
SYDNEY G. FLOWER ... .. 2	JOHN W. CUREY ... .. 6
JOSEPH W. FLOWER ... .. 3	WILLIAM HOLLINGWORTH ... .. 7
JOHN W. WOOD ... .. 4	REV. H. LAW JAMES ... .. Tenor

Composed by W. SHIPWAY. Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

\* First peal. First peal of Major on the bells.

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Tuesday, Nov. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

REV. E. BULWER'S IRREGULAR TEN-PART.

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in D.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. Treble	HARRY BURDOCK ... .. 5
CHARLES N. BURDOCK ... .. 2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... .. 6
ERNEST WEATHERBY ... .. 3	ALFRED H. PULLING ... .. 7
JOHN T. SCOTT ... .. 4	GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

This was the conductor's 350th peal.

**LONDON.**  
**THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, Nov. 30, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At Christ Church, Southwark, S.E.,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5036 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

ERNEST J. KING ... .. Treble	ISAAC J. ATTWATER ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	HORATIO J. GUMMER ... .. 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 3	GEORGE CARD ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. PICKETT ... .. 4	ARTHUR D. BARKER ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by T. H. TAFFENDER.

ST. LUKE'S, BROMLEY COMMON.—On Sunday, Nov. 28th, for evening service, 1280 of Double Norwich Major, in 48 mins.: F. 1. Herbert 1, Mrs. F. I. Hairs 2, W. H. Hewett 3, F. I. Hairs 4, P. J. Spice 5, A. W. Coles 6, J. E. Davis 7, I. Emery (conductor) 8.

**HAVANT, HANTS.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Wednesday, Dec. 1, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Faith,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK BURNETT ... .. 5
MATTHEW ELLSMORE ... .. 2	RICHARD HASTED, SEN. ... .. 6
*RICHARD J. HASTED ... .. 3	WILLIAM TATE ... .. 7
*ERNEST HEDGER ... .. 4	GEORGE H. COOPER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSIAH D. HARRIS.

\* First peal. Rung to celebrate the 76th birthday of Alexandra, the Queen Mother.

**BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Thursday, Dec. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Luke,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM LYDDIARD ... .. Treble	JAMES E. KEEP ... .. 5
FREDERICK H. HERBERT ... .. 2	PERCY J. SPICE ... .. 6
GEORGE HASNIP ... .. 3	ISAAC EMERY ... .. 7
GEORGE DURLING ... .. 4	HENRY J. TINNAMS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ISAAC EMERY.

**HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.**  
**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES**

Tenor 13 cwt.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... .. Treble	†CECIL MAYNE ... .. 5
†MISS NORAH WILLIAMS ... .. 2	†J. WILLIAM FRUIN ... .. 6
*HAROLD P. JAMES ... .. 3	EDGAR HANCOX ... .. 7
PERCY E. JONES ... .. 4	ARTHUR HARDING ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

\* First peal. † First peal of Bob Major. The composition has the 6th the extent right and 21 times wrong.

**GAINSBOROUGH, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.

RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Treble	JOHN T. LADD ... .. 5
JOHN W. SEAMER ... .. 2	*CHARLES H. BAKER ... .. 6
*STEPHEN BROOMFIELD ... .. 3	RALPH S. LONG ... .. 7
GEORGE LADD ... .. 4	WALTER AYRE ... .. Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN.

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Major. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss L. Richardson (Surfleet), and the conductor.

**WALTHAMSTOW.**  
**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Saviour,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 16½ cwt.

CHARLES T. COLES ... .. Treble	ERNEST D. LILLYWHITE ... .. 5
*HENRY STREET ... .. 2	FRED C. MAYNARD ... .. 6
JAMES C. ADAMS ... .. 3	GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. ... .. 7
WALTER STEED ... .. 4	ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

Rung to celebrate the marriage of Henry Rumens, of the local band, to Miss Helen Routledge, which took place on Oct. 9th. A previous attempt for this peal failed after two hours' ringing. \* First peal of Stedman, also first peal for 23 years.

BISLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.  
(ESTABLISHED 1686.)

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLLIS'S ONE-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

GEORGE ORCHARD ... .. Treble	ALBERT WRIGHT ... .. 5
HARRY BARRETT ... .. 2	FRANK COLE ... .. 6
HARRY SMITH ... .. 3	JOHN BALLANGER ... .. 7
WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. 4	RUPERT SHARP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT

STANSTED, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM T. PRIOR ... .. Treble	THOMAS J. WATTS ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. PITSTOW ... .. 2	THOMAS JORDAN ... .. 6
GEORGE JORDAN ... .. 3	FREDERICK DENCH ... .. 7
WALTER PRIOR ... .. 4	ALFRED PITSTOW ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by ALFRED PITSTOW.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS, BLOOMSBURY,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 18 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM J. KEMP ... .. 5
JOHN THOMAS ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 3	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 7
† EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 4	* WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

† First peal in the method. \* 150th peal in the method.

HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 22½ cwt.

* WILLIAM H. HALL ... .. Treble	WALTER PERKINS ... .. 5
JAMES GARRATT ... .. 2	† LEWIS CHAPMAN ... .. 6
JAMES WARD ... .. 3	GEORGE BASFORD ... .. 7
JOHN J. MAWBY ... .. 4	ANDERSON Y. TYLER ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by ANDERSON Y. TYLER.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method away from the treble.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 30½ cwt.

JOHN C. DICKEN ... .. Treble	RICHARD H. BARTRAM ... .. 5
HENRY FLETCHER ... .. 2	PERCY PRICE ... .. 6
SAMUEL WESLEY ... .. 3	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 7
JAMES F. GEORGE ... .. 4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

Rung after meeting short for Treble Bob Royal.

BIESTALL, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

GEORGE BRITTAN ... .. Treble	JOE BROADLEY ... .. 5
EDWARD P. CRABTREE ... .. 2	THOMAS B. KENDALL ... .. 6
WILLIAM CLARK ... .. 3	EDWARD CROWTHER ... .. 7
JOHN PALFRAMAN ... .. 4	JOHN F. CLAYTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD CROWTHER.

First peal as conductor.

HOUNSLOW, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

GEORGE SPENCER ... .. Treble	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 5
FREDERICK G. GODDARD ... .. 2	CHARLES J. TRICKER ... .. 6
THOMAS BEADLE ... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 7
JOSEPH MILNER ... .. 4	* HARRY BROOKS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. J. TRICKER.

\* First peal and first attempt. First peal as conductor. Rung also as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the tenor.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

F. S. PRICE ... .. Treble	W. CLIFFORD, JUN. ... .. 5
W. R. DRAGE ... .. 2	† T. HUTCHINSON ... .. 6
A. H. WARD ... .. 3	J. BAILEY ... .. 7
A. COPPOCK ... .. 4	* C. GEARY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. H. WARD.

\* First peal. † First peal away from tenor. Rung as a birthday peal for Mr. J. Harrison, vice-captain, and a wedding peal for Mr. H. E. Green, both local ringers. Mr. A. Coppock's 70th peal.

GUISELEY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.

GEORGE W. STEEL ... .. Treble	* ROY KNIPE ... .. 5
ERNEST H. SIMPSON ... .. 2	WILLIAM E. H. ASH ... .. 6
FREDERICK W. DIXON ... .. 3	FRANCIS BARKER ... .. 7
* ARTHUR SMITH ... .. 4	WILLIAM B. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

Conducted by W. B. SMITH.

\* First peal in any method. The ringer of the treble hails from Rothwell, 2nd from Shipley, 6th and 7th from Leeds, the rest are local men.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD.)

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JACOB,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. ... .. Treble	ALFRED E. REEVES ... .. 5
RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... .. 2	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... .. 6
HARRY BROWNJOHN ... .. 3	JOHN A. BURFORD ... .. 7
EDWIN J. RIDLER ... .. 4	GEORGE CONDICK, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by GEORGE CONDICK, JUN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, and Miss Rosie Reeves, daughter of the ringer of the 5th.

SAMLESBURY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(PRESTON BRANCH.)

On Monday, Dec. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD-THE-LESS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.

ALBC MARTIN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. 5
E. K. MARTIN ... .. 2	FRED HARWOOD ... .. 6
WILLIAM SHARPLES ... .. 3	ALBERT E. WOODHOUSE ... .. 7
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. 4	EDWARD ARMSTRONG ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS.

Conducted by E. R. MARTIN.

First peal in the method by all except the ringers of 4 and 5. First peal of Double Norwich ever rung in the Preston Branch of the Lancashire Association.

REDDISH, Near STOCKPORT.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1920, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Elizabeth,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

REV. A. T. BEESTON ... Treble	HAROLD JACKSON ... 5
*MISS E. K. BARNES ... 2	GEORGE D. WARBURTON ... 6
ALFRED BARNES ... 3	W. W. WOLSTENCROFT ... 7
HIRAM MEAKIN ... 4	RICHARD F. DEAL ... Tenor

Composed by T. Lockwood. Conducted by REV. A. T. BEESTON.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Barnes and the conductor.  
\* First peal of Major and first attempt.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Dec. 8, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicolas,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 6 qr. 26 lb.

*OWEN H. GILES ... Treble	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ... 5
JOSIAH D. HARRIS ... 2	EDWIN J. HARDING, SEN. ... 6
CHARLES J. FRAY ... 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 7
D. C. WILLIAMS, F.R.C.O. ... 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKIN ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.  
\* 50th peal.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Dec. 8, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael Coslany,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JAMES RAMPLEY ... Treble	FRED J. HOWCHIN ... 5
BEN S. THOMPSON ... 2	ALBERT ROUGHT ... 6
*GEORGE A. SPARKS ... 3	CHARLES E. BORRETT ... 7
GEORGE MAYERS ... 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

\* First peal in the method and first attempt. Albert Rought's 50th peal. This composition is now rung for the first time and contains the full combination of 4-5-6 in 5-6 with only 2 singles, in the minimum number of changes.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 9, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb. in a flat.

CECIL W. PIPE ... Treble	GEORGE BENNETT ... 5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ... 2	GEORGE FARNISH ... 6
GEORGE PRYKE ... 3	ALBERT FLEMING ... 7
WILLIAM BURGESS ... 4	GEORGE FLEMING ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by GEORGE FLEMING.

For calling see Ropesight, p. 103.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD.)

On Friday, Dec. 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-le-Port,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... Treble	JOHN A. BURFORD ... 5
PERCIVAL W. CAVE ... 2	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. ... 6
HARRY BROWNJOHN ... 3	GEORGE CONDICK, JUN. ... 7
ALFRED E. REEVES ... 4	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by ALFRED E. REEVES.

First peal in the method on the bells, and the conductor's 200th peal.

BIDDENDEN, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Dec. 10, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5772 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 25 cwt.

*FRANK POPE ... Treble	†LUTHER HOUSE ... 5
CHAS. TRIBE ... 2	FREDERICK S. MACEY ... 6
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ... 3	THOMAS E. SONE ... 7
CHAS. S. SONE ... 4	OWEN HODGES ... Tenor

Conducted by F. S. MACEY.

\* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. First peal as conductor.

ECCLESFIELD, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Dec. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary (The Minster of the Moors),

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

JOHN THORPE ... Treble	SAM THOMAS ... 5
*C. HAYDN THORPE ... 2	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... 6
*WILLIS WITHAM ... 3	WALTER ALLWOOD ... 7
GEORGE LEWIS ... 4	*OLIVER CANWOOD ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

\* First peal of Oxford, and first in the method on the bells.

SAWSTON, CAMBS.  
THE ELY AND ST. EDMUNDSBURY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... Treble	ALFRED E. PITSTOW ... 5
THOMAS R. DENNIS ... 2	FREDERICK J. PITSTOW ... 6
ERNEST G. HIBBENS ... 3	*FREDERICK HURRY ... 7
WILLIAM H. J. HOOTON ... 4	FREDERICK DENCH ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FREDERICK DENCH.

The ringers of treble hail from Stapleford, 2, 3, 4 from Cambridge, 5, 6, 8 from Saffron Walden, 7th belongs to the local company. \* First peal on 8 bells.

BARWELL, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5066 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

CHAS. H. BRIGGS ... Treble	THOMAS H. VALLANCE ... 5
HARRY BROUGHTON ... 2	HARRY ARGYLE ... 6
THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... 3	*DET.-SGT. H. G. JENNEY ... 7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... 4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK H. DEXTER.

\* First peal in the method. Also first in the method on the bells. Quickest peal of Major on the bells. Ringer of treble hails from Stoney Stanton, 3rd and 6th from Nuneaton, remainder from Leicester.

HONITON-CLYST, DEVON.  
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.  
(EXETER DISTRICT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt.

WILLIAM J. SOUTHWOOD ... Treble	CHARLES GLASS ... 5
FRANK J. DAVEY ... 2	GEORGE BETTS ... 6
†WILLIAM HOWE ... 3	JOHN SANDOVER ... 7
*JOHN C. OKE ... 4	*WILLIAM BREWER ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK J. DAVEY.

\* First peal. † First peal on an inside bell. The treble man rang his last peal just 40 years ago in the early days of the Devon Guild.

THRAPSTON, NORTHANTS.  
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 7 lb. in F.

DANIEL REDHEAD ... .. Treble	FRANK KIRK ... .. 5
JAMES M. NICKERSON ... 2	THOMAS WILLSON ... .. 6
LEONARD J. WYMAN ... .. 3	FRED STUBBS ... .. 7
*CYRIL WILLSON ... .. 4	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE.

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

\* First peal in the method.

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Taylor's Six-Part.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE CLAYTON ... .. Treble	HARRY WRIGHT ... .. 5
JOHN W. HARWOOD ... .. 2	DENISON HAYWARD ... .. 6
WILLIAM LEE ... .. 3	FREDERICK PESTALL ... .. 7
CHARLES HARDING ... .. 4	WILLIAM DARBY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by D. HAYWARD.

First peal in the method on the bells.

BARKING, ESSEX.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

WILLIAM HIBBERT ... .. Treble	FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... 5
THOMAS FAULKNER ... .. 2	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 6
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 3	CHARLES BURDEN ... .. 7
WILLIAM S. LANGDON ... .. 4	ALFRED JOYCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. LANGDON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. A. Symonds, mother of the ringers of the 5th.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Nov. 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

in Stedman, Plain Bob, Extreme and Grandsire, being 42 different 120's.

Tenor 8 cwt.

ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Treble	CHARLES ALLSOPP ... .. 3
T. HENRY HARDY ... .. 2	FRED STANFORTH ... .. 4
JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal on this ancient ring of 5 dated respectively 1595, unknown, 1611, 1586, 14th century (re-cast 1894). Mr. J. Morris has has now rung peals at all Leicester churches with 5 to 10 bells (excepting St. George's (6) which were burnt down in 1911) and is the first to do so.

BALCOMBE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Nov. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

*E. STONER ... .. Treble	†C. J. E. GASSON ... .. 4
A. C. V. GASSON ... .. 2	C. HOLMAN ... .. 5
*A. STEELE ... .. 3	A. E. T. GASSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. E. T. GASSON.

\* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. Rung to celebrate the 15th birthday of A. Steele, also the 78th birthday of Fred Streeter and the 76th birthday of John Gasson, father of the conductor and grandfather of the 2nd and 4th ringers. Fred Streeter and John Gasson have been ringers at Balcombe Church from the time the bells were first hung in 1881.

NORTHFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, Nov. 29, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*JAMES VAUGHAN ... .. Treble	*JOHN EATON ... .. 4
*WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... 2	ALBERT T. SCRIVENS ... 5
HERBERT H. HASTINGS ... 3	GEORGE PIGOTT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE PIGOTT.

\* First peal of Bob Minor. Rung as a compliment to the Rev. C. Toft on the occasion of his recent marriage, also to welcome him back to Northfield. The band wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells, and Mr. John Withers for having everything ready.

BEDFORD.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-DE-MERTON,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt. in G.

MISS DOROTHY D. STEEL ... Treble	WILLIAM STAPLETON ... .. 4
CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. 2	RICHARD KENDALL ... .. 5
HERBERT J. HARLOW ... .. 3	HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. L. HARLOW.

First peal of Minor as conductor.

MAXEY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, Dec. 2, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Double Court, Oxford and Plain Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. in B.

DORIS L. DALE ... .. Treble	HORACE M. DAY ... .. 4
*ELSIE BRANDON ... .. 2	JOHN CURRY ... .. 5
*ANNIE M. DALE ... .. 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal in five methods.

WEST HAM, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Dec. 3, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, BARKING ROAD,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Chester, Carlisle, Lincoln, Ipswich, Cambridge, Wells and London. Tenor 7½ cwt.

WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... Treble	GEORGE DAWSON ... .. 4
EDWARD SMITH ... .. 2	WILLIAM MILLER ... .. 5
ALFRED PRIOR ... .. 3	JOHN MOBLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. MILLER.

First peal on the bells since being rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, the 'go' being excellent.

COGENHOE, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(THE ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, NORTHAMPTON.)

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.

*HENRY BLUNDELL ... .. Treble	JOSEPH DEAN ... .. 4
WILLIAM ATTERBERY ... .. 2	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. 5
HERBERT RAINBOW ... .. 3	WILLIAM FAREY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. FAREY.

Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of the conductor's father and mother, also as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Rainbow. \* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor.



WENDEN AMBO  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, two 720's of Oxford Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt.

FREDERICK NUNN ... .. Treble	ARTHUR G. LILLEY ... .. 4
PROCY WEBB ... .. 2	*FREDERICK HURRY ... .. 5
ALBERT E. AUSTIN ... .. 3	FREDERICK DENCH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK DENCH.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells. The ringer of treble hails from Whittlesford, 2nd and 4th from Ickleton, 3rd from Stapleford, 5th from Sawston, tenor from Saffron Walden. The ringers of treble, 4th and 5th were elected life members of the Association previous to starting.

HALLING, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

JOHN AVIS ... .. Treble	GEORGE MORRAD ... .. 4
HARRY ARGENT ... .. 2	FREDERICK HAYES ... .. 5
CLR.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. 3	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... Tenor

Conducted by FRED M. MITCHELL.

First peal on the bells. The band wish to thank Mr. J. L. Harris or having everything ready. He congratulated the ringers on the excellent peal and kindly entertained them to tea at the conclusion. With the exception of Sergt. Bennett, the band came from Milton-next-Gravesend.

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STANDON, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,

On Saturday, Dec. 4, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Duke of York, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 17 cwt.

HENRY WALLACE ... .. Treble	BARNARD PATMORE ... .. 4
GEORGE H. CARTER ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ... .. 5
SIDNEY CARTER ... .. 3	ERNEST A. OVERALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST A. OVERALL.

MATHON, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, Dec. 5, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

*FREDERICK FOSTER ... .. Treble	CHRIS BOWERS ... .. 4
DAVID HORNE ... .. 2	E. WILLIAM TURNER ... .. 5
CHARLES LAYTON ... .. 3	GEORGE JORDON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES LAYTON.

Rung as a golden wedding peal for the parents of the ringer of the 5th. \* First peal of Minor.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Dec. 6, 1920, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT THE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5051 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 18 in G.

†CHARLES HAZELDEN ... .. 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... .. 5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3-4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... .. 7-8
*GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9-10	

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Witnesses: MRS. HAZELDEN, MRS. POLLING, ETHEL WOOD.

† First peal of Stedman Caters in hand. \* First peal of Stedman Caters.

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### DEATH OF MR. W. H. GEORGE.

We much regret to announce the death of Mr. William Henry George, of Eastleigh, brother of Mr. James George, who passed away early on Christmas morning. The deceased had been in failing health for some months, but only recently relinquished the office of District Secretary for the Winchester District of the Winchester Guild. He had a long career as a ringer, and conducted his last peal on March 4th, 1920, which was his 68th birthday. The funeral took place on Wednesday.

### NEW BELLS AT BOLTON.

On Saturday, December 18th, the opening took place of the new bells at Holy Trinity, Bolton. From 3 p.m. the bells were kept going in touches of Stedman, Plain Bob, Kent, Double Norwich and Superlative. Ringers gathered from all parts of Lancashire and the Midlands, and the unanimous opinion was expressed that they were a fine peal of bells both in the 'go' and tone. Messrs. Mears and Stainbank are to be congratulated on the work. 'It's an ill wind that blows nobody good' is again proved to be a true saying, because the fire which burnt this tower out in November, 1919, has secured a ring of bells that Bolton is proud of.

### WEDGING OF BELL FRAMES.

#### A CASE FROM CHESHIRE.

Mr. W. Bibby writes, with reference to the wedging of bell frames, which has been discussed in these columns: Of the six towers, comprising the Grappenhall branch of the Chester Guild, one has a light ring of six bells. These have been in bad going order for a long time. Some years ago they were repaired by a whitesmith and so-called bell-hanger from an adjoining town, assisted by the local carpenter. I do not know whether corner blocks were put in at the same time, but they have been there for a long time past. Recently it was decided to have the bells rehung, and a firm of bell hangers were asked for an estimate, also an application was made to the Chester Guild for assistance, which was granted.

After the work was completed, a branch meeting was arranged to take place at this tower, with the object of trying the bells. Having had a pull on the bells, I had a conversation with the Vicar, who is not a ringer, and knows nothing about bells. He expressed himself as delighted with the way the work had been carried out, remarking how pleased he was with the men who did the work; also saying they were so keen on getting the job through that they had hardly time either to eat or sleep. Piecework may be all right, if the work is laying bricks, but I am sure the plan is not applicable to hanging bells. Before leaving, I ascended the tower to the bell chamber to look at the bells. I need hardly say how staggered I was to find that not only had the old corner blocks not been taken out, but new thin wedges had been inserted between the old blocks and the wall. I pointed this out to the Branch Secretary, who was with me.

I have read Sir A. Heywood's book on bell frames. I was also for some years personally acquainted with Mr. E. H. Lewis, who helped him to compile it, and know what his opinion was on the subject, hence my interest in the matter. I should like to suggest that the firm who carried out the work should immediately take out the bells, remove the old blocks and the wedges which they have put in, and strengthen the frame in the way recommended by the expert who has been kind enough to give his opinion in 'The Ringing World,' which would be quite possible, as the frame is not a weak one by any means.

There are other towers in Cheshire with the bell frames wedged to the walls, which will need attention sooner or later, and for which grants may be applied for to the Chester Guild, but before being given there will be some searching questions asked as to how and by whom the work is to be carried out.

### NOT SUTTON TREBLE BOB.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I am sorry to have to say anything that may be disappointing to our friends at Sutton, but the method they rang is already known as Worcester Treble Bob. Whether you ring Oxford and call Kent, or ring Kent and call Oxford, or call them both, it will not make the slightest difference to the composition rung. The first 720 was rung at Titchfield by the Winchester Guild some two years ago.—Yours faithfully,

E. BANKS JAMES.

## ROYAL EXCHANGE BELLS. UNIQUE GATHERING AT CROYDON FOUNDRY.

A gathering probably unique in bell history, took place at Messrs. Gillett and Johnston's Croydon Foundry on Friday week, when representatives of the London, Provincial and Technical Press were invited to inspect the Royal Exchange new bells which the firm have just recast. Few of the visitors knew anything of the mysteries of bell founding and tuning, and the few hours they spent at the well-equipped foundry was a revelation to them, and they went away with a considerably greater conception of the bellmaker's art, and the value of modern methods of tuning which make bells cast in these days so much more melodious than the majority of those of past generations. The visitors were welcomed at the Foundry by Mr. Cyril Johnston, and were entertained to a *recherche* luncheon, at which Mr. Johnston presided. Afterwards the toast of 'The King' was honoured, and the Deputy Mayor of Croydon (in the unavoidable absence of the Mayor) welcomed the Pressmen to Croydon. He said they regarded those works as one of the most important industrial undertakings in the town, and he testified to the splendid work which was done by Mr. Johnston, and those associated with him, in the output of munitions during the war. Mr. Johnston had shown equal energy in the conversion of the works from war to peace industry, and he (the speaker) hoped and believed that under Mr. Johnston's able management the establishment would extend and grow and be as successful in the future as it had been in the past, for they recognised the business as not only of local importance, but of national importance.—The welcome to the Press was acknowledged by Mr. Manning Foster, of the *Daily Mail*.

Mr. Watney next gave a brief outline of the history of the Royal Exchange bells, and remarked that the recasting was due to the musical ability and discernment of Sir Francis Green and the Rev. James Baden Powell, who with himself formed the Chimes Sub-Committee of the Fresham Committee. It was the persistent efforts of those two gentlemen which resulted in the old bells going into the melting-pot. The first chimes at the Royal Exchange went back 250 years to 1670, when the first order was given. Those chimes existed until they were consumed in the fire of 1838, when they fell while playing the tune, 'There's nae luck about the House' (laughter). The next chimes were put into place in 1844, and the carillon instrument was installed in 1894. During the war the chimes were silent, but when in 1918 they were again started it was pointed out that the bells were badly out of tune, and the mechanism of the carillon badly out of order. As a result of the efforts of the Chimes Committee they were now to have bells and chimes worthy of the City of London (applause).

Mr. C. F. Johnston then took up the story by describing the new bells, but he first of all acknowledged the eulogistic words spoken by the Deputy Mayor about the firm. Proceeding, Mr. Johnston said:

'It is a well-known fact that we English are too backward and modest about what we do—and we bell founders seem to be the most backward of any. Great things have been evolved and great problems mastered in the bell world during the last twenty years, and yet the public—and particularly the musical public—know hardly anything of these things. The method of hanging bells on engineering lines in metal frames, in place of the old wood ones, for change ringing purposes, has done much to lessen the hard work of the ringers and facilitate good and even ringing. But the greatest revolution in bell work has undoubtedly come about by the vastly improved method of tuning bells. All musical instruments emit complex sounds which contain not only a basic or fundamental tone, but other tones—called overtones or harmonics, which automatically range themselves in tune with the fundamental note. But bells are complicated in design and their harmonics can be anything. We shall presently ring the old Rochester Cathedral bells, which are about to be recast, but are at present tuned on the old system, to you and then ring the recast ones for the Royal Exchange—tuned on the new system—as a practical demonstration. I suppose the outstanding feature of the Royal Exchange Carillon is that it will be the first set of bells tuned on the Five Tone Simpson Principle to be erected in the City of London. A ringing peal of eight or ten bells, following the simple diatonic scale, are tuned to the scale of nature, whereas the Royal Exchange peal, which is for chime purposes and contains certain accidentals has been tuned to the scale of equal temperament, as a piano or organ is. The object of this is that you thus get the least possible discord as you modulate from one key to another in the rendering of tunes. It is a curious thing that the old Belgian bell masters—three centuries ago—knew a great deal about harmonic tuning, the famous Hemony Brothers, who made their first carillon in 1645 being pre-eminent. That art was subsequently lost in the Netherlands, and it has been left for England to perfect what was aimed at in Belgium 300 years ago—so that to-day the finest bells in the world are being turned out by British hands (applause). And yet there are so far hardly any carillons with a large range of notes, in this country, for 35 or 49 or even more bells are required to give a good compass, and there is no doubt that in this country there will gradually appear carillons, of ample compass, to give a vast range of music, having 35

or 49, and even more bells—somewhat on the Continental plan, but of infinitely superior tone, and with much less cumbersome machinery to operate upon them. I fear that to-day the clocks are in the background, but clocks have very recently come in for the good things of the bell world, because enlightened bell tuning has been applied to our new industry of chiming house clocks, with the result that the Germans, who excelled in this particular work before the war, have been left many stages behind in the production of accurate and musical domestic chimes' (applause).

In conclusion, Mr. Johnston paid a tribute to his loyal and excellent staff, and on behalf of the firm, as well as of his mother and sister who were present that day, he welcomed the visitors to Croydon.

The party then made a tour of the extensive works. In the foundry were the bells from Rochester Cathedral. These were struck round, and immediately afterwards the Royal Exchange bells were chimed, enabling the visitors by the contrast to get an admirable idea of the advantages of modern tuning methods. It is interesting to note that, after the Royal Exchange bells had been chimed, the first tune sounded on them was 'Hark, the herald angels sing.' The visitors spent a most interesting hour in watching the casting of a small bell, inspecting the clock factory, and listening to the performances on the foundry carillon by Mr. Harry Withers, of Bourneville, England's foremost carillonneur. Mr. Withers played selections of all kinds, and the musical effects which he produced from the lofty tower were a source of great pleasure, and, indeed, of wonderment to the party.

It is hoped to have the Royal Exchange bells in operation towards the end of January. The total weight of the 13 is seven tons, and of the tenor 1 ton 13 cwt. 5 lbs. The carillon machine will play three tunes daily, and there will be a different tune on each occasion for the week. The airs on Sundays will be 'When I survey the wondrous cross,' 'Disposer Supreme,' and 'Abide with me.' The tunes on the other days are selected from English, Scotch and Irish airs.

## DEATH OF WILLIAM GRIMWADE.

### AN ESSEX VETERAN.

There passed away, on December 15th, at Bocking, after a painful and lingering illness, borne with Christian patience and fortitude, William Grimwade, one of the oldest ringers in the district. Seventy years of age, the deceased had for many years been a member of the Essex Association. When a young man, living at Chappel, he learned to ring at Great Tey. Some thirty years ago he joined the St. Michael's Guild of Ringers, Braintree, and afterwards became a member of St. Mary's Society, Bocking, acting for some years as conductor. He called the last peal of Minor on the old ring of six. He had rung 16 peals in all at the towers of Braintree and Bocking. His quiet and unostentatious manner had gained for him a large circle of ringing friends, by whom he was held in highest esteem. Until his health failed he was a regular service ringer every Sunday for matins and evensong. He was never known to have failed to attend a practice or ringing meeting, after making a promise to be present.

The funeral took place at the cemetery, Bocking, on Saturday, Dec. 18th. In addition to his widow, two sons and one daughter, there were present Mr. C. H. Howard (Master of the Essex Association), Messrs. W. H. Dyson, F. Rudkin, H. E. Hammond (Braintree), L. W. Crow, F. Radley (Bocking), H. Redgwell (Rayne), E. Claydon (Stobbing), and P. Collard, an old friend, who knew him as a lad, and who walked in very inclement weather eight miles to pay his last respects to one of the most honourable and upright of men. In the evening touches of Grandire Triples were rung on the bells of Bocking with the clappers half-muffled, conducted by B. Shuffiebotham.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Western Division of the Sussex Association was held at Heane on December 18th, when members were present from Brighton, Shoreham, West Tarring, and the local band, the attendance being somewhat restricted by the inclement weather. However, some very good courses and touches of Steadman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich Major, Superlative, Cambridge, Bristol and London Surprise Major were rung. An excellent tea was kindly provided by the Rector (the Rev. J. P. Fallows), who, unfortunately, owing to illness was unable to be present, but sent his son to welcome the members.—At the business meeting, Mr. J. T. Rickman (Master of the Association) presided, and it was proposed to hold the next quarterly meeting at Shoreham in March.

The question of a memorial to the 30 members of the Association who fell in the great war, was discussed, but on the suggestion of the Master it was decided to bring the matter before the annual general meeting to be held in Brighton later on.—Votes of thanks were accorded to Mr. Rickman for presiding; also to the Rector of Heane for granting the use of the bells and providing the tea.

Another visit was then paid to the belfry, and after an hour's ringing the bells were lowered in peal, and six of the company paid a visit to Tarring, where a capital 720 of Cambridge Minor was rung by: J. Price 1, J. Farmer 2, A. W. Groves 3, F. Bennett (conductor) 4, E. Merritt 5, K. Hart 6.

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## WAR MEMORIALS.

## DEDICATION OF BELLS AT HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.

On Saturday, Dec. 18th, 1920, the Bishop of Sheffield dedicated the memorial to the sons of Handsworth and Richmond who fell in the great war. The memorial consists of a tablet in Portland stone, placed on the churchyard wall by the main road, and engraved on which are the names of the 50 men of the parish who had sacrificed their lives, a new ring of eight bells and a clock which have been placed in the tower of the parish church. A great number of the inhabitants of the village and district had assembled to witness the ceremony, which was performed by Major C. E. Levick, T.D., and the Last Post was sounded by P.C. Tom Bates (late Sherwood Foresters). The bells were raised with the clappers half-muffled, by: Arthur Hague, ex-R.A.M.C., 1, Sidney Briggs, ex-N.F., 2, Miss W. M. Hague, ex-V.A.D., 3, C. R. Wright, ex-R.F.A., 4, J. E. L. Cookey, ex-Y. and L., 5, Colin Harrison, ex-R.F.A., 6, Hadin Thorpe, ex-Y. and L., 7, Colin Ryder, ex-K.O.Y.L.I., 8.

The Bishop preceded the people into the church, where, after dedicating the bells and clock he addressed the congregation which had filled the building. He congratulated the people of Handsworth upon the form their memorial had taken. It was one of the most complete, admirable, and lasting schemes he had had the pleasure of dedicating. He had heard it said that England would soon forget the men who fell in the war. He did not believe that, and these memorials confirmed him in that belief. It was one of his great joys in dedicating these memorials to know that they had brought together people, who, in other circumstances, differed, and those bells in Handsworth were the symbol of the unity of a faithful people. They were more; they represented the sounds of triumph and victory and joy, and marked the end of a great spiritual conflict between right and wrong. The clock, ever before their eyes, would be a daily reminder of those noble men, who, by working in concord and unity, gained for them the great victory, and the tablet by the wayside would remind the passer-by of the noble sacrifice that had been made for all.

After the Blessing, a short tough was rung on the half-muffled bells by the ex-Service band. Muffles were then removed, and ringing friends from Anston, Bolsover, Bolsterstone, Chesterfield, Dore, Norton, Rawmarsh, Rotherham, Sheffield Cathedral, All Saints (Grimsby), and St. John's (Ranmoor), Treeton, Worksop, Wortley, and others, kept the bells going until 9 p.m., the methods ranging from Plain Bob to London Surprise Major.

The bells are a very musical ring, from the Loughborough foundry, and the founders were represented by Mr. Denison E. Taylor, Mr. Pryce Taylor and Mr. John Oldham, who received many congratulations on the excellent 'go' of the bells, and the fine quality of their tone. The following are the particulars of the bells: The inscription on the treble is 'The Children's Tribute'; on the 3rd, 'The gift of the Handsworth Girls' Club, in grateful remembrance'; on the 5th, 'The Mothers' Union. Thy will be done.' The tenor is 1 cwt. 2lbs. in G flat, and on one side is inscribed: 'This peal of eight bells was placed in this tower in memory of those men of Handsworth and Richmond who gave their lives in the Great War, 1914-1918'; and on the other side, 'C.E.M.S. Quit ye like men.'

The total cost of the memorial is about £1,600, and towards this the Handsworth branch of the C.E.M.S. has raised £260 for the tenor; the Handsworth branch of the Mothers' Union £160 for the 5th bell; the Handsworth Girls' Club £128 for the 3rd bell; and it was a remarkable coincidence that at the opening of the ring the lady ringer should ring the 3rd, as none of the band were acquainted with the fact that the girls had given that bell.

An old bell, cast in 1590 by Hy. Oldfield, and which has done service in the tower from that date, has been rehung above the octave to be chimed on special occasions.

The whole of the work has been carried out in a most efficient manner, and the people of Handsworth and Richmond have reason to be proud of the memorial they have erected to their gallant men, and of the splendid spirit of unity which has enabled them to carry through so permanent a scheme.

At the Parish Church, Luton, on November 14th, the dedication of the war memorials took place. One consisted of a marble tablet recording the names of 37 men, members of the Parish Church, and one a stone niche in the chancel arch, containing a "book of life" with the names of all men of Luton, numbering 900, written on vellum, who laid down their lives in the great war, 1914 to 1919. The unveiling was performed at the morning service by Major Harold Wernher, and the dedication by the Vicar (the Rev. A. E. Chapman). The church was crowded to overflowing, and included Lady Zia Wernher, Lord and Lady Ludlow, the Mayor and Corporation, etc.

A quarter-peal, 1280 changes of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, was rung in 51 minutes, with the bells half-muffled, before the ceremony, and afterwards 504 Stedman Triples with the bells open: A. King (conductor) 1, T. Blackburn 2, B. Wilson 3, R. Wood 4, H. Wood 5, T. Kendall 6, W. Payne 7, F. Hunt 8.

After the unveiling of the war memorial cross by H.R.H. Princess Alice, at Windsor, 240 Grandire Doubles by the local band: C.

Farr 1, Miss Roe 2, T. Farr 3, J. W. Croft 4, T. Smith 5, C. Vitler 6, L. Stilwell 7, J. H. Cropley 8. Before evening service, a quarter of Stedman Triples by ex-Service men: E. T. Hooper, R.M.E., 1, W. Burden, R. Berks, 2, P. E. Jones, R.E., 3, J. Eldridge, L.C., 4, G. Martin, R.E., 5, L. Stilwell, R.F.A., 6, W. Welling, R.G.A. (conductor) 7, J. H. Cropley, R.A.F. 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of those who fell in the war.

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

## CHURCH ASSEMBLY'S PROPOSAL DISCUSSED.

A quarterly meeting was held at Bridgwater on December 11th, when ten towers were represented. A short service was held in the Parish Church, at which the Rev. F. G. Shepherd (curate-in-charge) officiated, and gave an address. The business meeting was held in the vestry, the Master (the Rev. C. C. Parker) presiding. The Master announced that the next meeting would be held at Wiveliscombe after Easter.

The Secretary announced that he had received a little over £70 towards the war memorial, and that over twenty towers had not yet subscribed. It is hoped to get another £25 to clear all expenses.

Mr. J. Hunt urged that members should give greater support to 'The Ringing World,' and several suggestions were discussed, one being that peals rung should be paid for at a penny or twopence per head, and another that members should levy themselves a half-penny or penny towards the upkeep of the paper. In the end an earnest appeal was made to the members to take 'The Ringing World' and thus increase the circulation, which would go a long way towards making it a paying concern.

The proposals of the National Assembly of the Church with regard to ringers was also brought to the notice of the members in connection with the statements which appeared in 'The Ringing World.' It was thought that it would be to the greater interests of ringers and ringing that they should remain as they are at present, under the direct control of the incumbent.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. F. G. Shepherd for officiating at the service and for the use of the bells brought the meeting to a close.

Tea was then partaken of at Taylor's Restaurant, after which the bells were made good use of.

## DUNSTER DEANERY MEETING.

The recent meeting of the Dunster Deanery Branch of the Bath and Wells Association was made the annual meeting of the district. It was attended by ringers from Corhampton, Chipstable, Cutcombe, Dunster, Minehead, Selworthy, and Winsford, and Mr. W. W. Thorne (Ockham), of the Winchester Guild. Touches of Grandire Triples were rung before service, at which the Rev. W. T. Reader officiated, assisted by the Rev. G. L. Fitzmaurice (president of the branch). The president was in the chair for the business meeting, and the Vicar proposed a vote of condolence with the family of the late Mr. John Tudball, whose death had removed a valuable member of the Dunster band. The motion was carried in silence, and was acknowledged by Mr. Thorne (Mr. Tudball's brother-in-law).

Among the letters of apology was one from Lord St. Audries, in which he gave evidence of a keen interest in ringing. Arising from the minutes, an application from the Wiveliscombe ringers that, for convenience' sake, their tower might be transferred to the Taunton Deanery was discussed. Mr. G. Stacey (hon. secretary of the Dunster branch) acquainted the meeting with a suggestion made regarding the application at the annual meeting of the association held recently at Minehead to the effect that the diocese should be divided into ringing districts, with a ringing master for each district. As this proposal it was stated, was under consideration, the matter was deferred.

The Rev. G. L. Fitzmaurice was unanimously re-elected President of the Branch, and Mr. G. Stacey hon. secretary, warm tributes being paid to their past services. It was resolved to appoint a Ringing Master, and Mr. W. Hoyle (Minehead), whose enthusiasm for the art is so well known in the district, was elected to the office.

At the invitation of the Rector, it was decided to visit Selworthy for the next meeting, and the business concluded with votes of thanks to the Vicar, to Mr. Poole (the organist), and to the chairman.

Further ringing afterwards took place.

## A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION.

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### CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD STOCKPORT BRANCH.

A most successful meeting of the Stockport Branch was held at St. George's, Hyde, on Saturday, December 4th, about fifty members and friends being present, representing Cheadle, Denton, Didsbury, Knutsford, Marple, Mottram, Norbury, Northenden, New Mills, Reddish, Stalybridge, Stockport (St. George's and St. Mary's), and the local tower. Friends from St. Peter's, Ashton, were also present.—The Vicar (the Rev. H. J. Graham) conducted the service, and gave a very appropriate address, after which the ringers partook of tea in the Parish Room. This was followed by the usual business meeting, the Vicar presiding.

Reference was made to the death of the late Master of the Guild (Mr. C. J. Bowen Cooke), and it was decided to place on record, an expression of deep regret at the loss sustained, of appreciation of his great services on behalf of the Guild, and of sincere sympathy with the family in their bereavement, the members standing in silence.

It was reported that Mr. Darbyshire, churchwarden of Warburton, where the last meeting had been held, had expressed his wish to defray the whole cost of the tea then provided.—The offer had been gratefully acknowledged by the secretary, and all present expressed their cordial approval.

A letter was read from the Hon. Treasurer of the Branch (the Rev. F. C. L. Hamilton) expressing his wish to resign. Regret at such a step being taken was expressed, and it was sincerely hoped that Mr. Hamilton would reconsider his decision.

The resolution, 'That the annual subscription of ringing and probationary members of the branch shall be raised to 2s. 6d.' was unanimously confirmed.—New members were elected, and St. Mary's, Stockport, was fixed as the place where the annual meeting should be held on a Saturday in February, 1921.—Votes of thanks were heartily accorded to all whose generous services had made the gathering so successful and enjoyable.

The bells (a new ring of eight by Taylor) were well requisitioned both before the service, and after the meeting, and all who took part expressed their delight at both their tone and 'go.'

In view of the article, 'The Advantages of Ringing,' which appeared in 'The Ringing World' of the 3rd inst., it is appropriate to make mention of the performance of Miss Wolstencroft, the 11-year-old daughter of Mr. W. Wolstencroft, the active secretary of the Manchester Branch of the Lancashire Association. Her ringing was much admired by all who saw her, and no doubt her father is very proud of his apt pupil. One or two of 'the old gents as did not take their coats off' made some amusing remarks, in comparing ages. J. P. F.

### OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.

A quarterly meeting of North Bucks Branch was held at Blechley on Saturday, December 4th, but the very rough weather that prevailed somewhat affected the number attending. About 34 ringers were present, representing Penny Stratford, Linslade, Stony Stratford, Shenley, Great Bricknell, Great Horwood, Calverton, Beauchamp-ton, and the local ringers. Various methods were rung, and the Vicar of St. Mary's (the Rev. F. W. Bennett) officiated at a short choral service, and an address was given by the Rev. Mostyn Ellis, Vicar of Newton Longville, and an honorary member of the branch.

After service, the members adjourned to the School Room, and, thanks to the local ringers' wives, a very nice tea was awaiting them. Very great thanks were tendered to the ladies for the way in which things had been prepared.

The President of the Branch (the Rev. J. R. Vincent, of Shenley) opened the meeting with a short address, specially mentioning, in a most sympathetic manner, the recent death of Mr. V. Sear, of Blechley, who was greatly missed that day by a good number.

The Secretary referred to the increase in contributions which will operate for the year 1921, and which had been decided upon by the Guild. He also suggested the advertising of all meetings in 'The Ringing World' instead of circularising each tower for each meeting, thus saving secretarial work, and making it less expensive to the branch.—After discussion, a resolution was put to the meeting, and carried, that the scheme of advertising all meetings in 'The Ringing World' only should be given a trial, the Secretary specially mentioning that it was up to all the members to purchase 'The Ringing World' so as to keep in touch with the movements of the branch.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the Rev. F. W. Bennett, the Rev. J. R. Vincent and the Rev. Mostyn Ellis, and afterwards a further visit was made to the tower. The methods rung were Grand-sire and Stedman Triples, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich Major and Superlative Surprise Major.

### A 720 IN WHOLE PULLS.

At Long Stanton, on December 22nd, at All Saints' Church, 720 Bob Minor, in one hour. Rung in whole pulls, with the bells half-muffled, in memory of the late Mr. G. H. Francis, of Long Stanton St. Michael: Rev. H. B. Woolley 1, J. B. Woolley 2, C. W. Woolley 3, W. H. J. Hooton (conductor) 4, Geo. Crisp 5, C. W. Cook 6.

### COMMEMORATION OF THE FALL OF JERUSALEM. PEAL TABLET UNVEILED.

Readers of 'The Ringing World' may remember that about a year ago appeared the report of a peal rung at the Church of St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, by eight ex-Service ringers (all of whom had served during the war in the Eastern campaign), in commemoration of the second anniversary of the capture of Jerusalem. On the following anniversary of that event the same eight ringers and a number of ringing friends attended at the church to meet the Rector and churchwardens at the unveiling of a handsome peal board which has been placed in the tower as a record of the peal.

The proceedings commenced with a touch of 504 Stedman Triples, rung by seven of the original band, and the steeplekeeper, the eighth member arriving during the ringing of the touch.

The Rector (the Rev. G. T. McLean) conducted the service, being supported by the Rev. G. E. B. Mort (curate), the churchwardens, and a number of parishioners. Psalm 122, as very appropriate to the occasion, was read, followed by responses, and the Lord's Prayer. The Rector then gave a short address, explaining why the peal was rung a year ago, and the reason of the gathering that evening. He then asked the senior churchwarden (Mr. G. Prin) to unveil the board. When the covering flag had fallen away, a very handsome peal board was disclosed. Consisting of good stout oak, and measuring about 4 by 2½ feet, it records the following in gilt letters on a polished black background:—

St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney.  
"Thanks be to God, which giveth us the Victory." The Hertfordshire Association of Change Ringers. On Tuesday, December 9th, 1919, in 3 hours and 12 minutes, eight members of the above association rang a peal of Stedman Triples (5040 changes), Thurstons' Four-Part: C. T. Coles, R.E., 1. A. K. Harrison, R.G.A., 2. E. H. King, R.A.M.C., 3. W. J. Kemp, R.A.S.C., M.T., 4. H. J. Walton, M.G.C., 5. A. R. Macdonald, R.E., 6. A. D. Barker, R.A.M.C., 7. A. W. Coles, R.A.F., 8. Conducted by C. T. Coles.

This peal was rung on the second anniversary of the fall of Jerusalem. All the ringers served in His Majesty's Forces during the Great War, in those campaigns which resulted in the overthrow of the Turk and the surrender of the Holy City.

Rev. G. T. McLean, M.A., Rector; G. Prin and S. Beven, Churchwardens; A. Riley, Steeplekeeper.

The Rector then dedicated the peal board to Almighty God, following with appropriate prayers, which brought the service to a close.

Before leaving the belfry, the Rector thanked the ringers for their magnificent gift to the church, explaining to all present that the cost of the board had been entirely met by those who rang the peal.—Afterwards the bells were rung to many methods, including Grand-sire and Stedman Triples, Superlative, London and Bristol Surprise, and Treble Bob Major, and before the company finally broke up a suggestion was made that the same band meet annually at the above church to keep up the occasion. We hope this will be done.

It is worthy of note that the board was painted and written by one of the peal band, a well-known London ringer, who is to be congratulated on the excellent way in which the work has been done.

### A NORTHANTS PRESENTATION.

A meeting of the Northampton branch of the Central Northants Association was held at Weston Favel on Saturday, December 4th, when about 40 members were present from Cogenhoe, Collingtree, Ecton, Great Brington, Harlestone, Kingsthorpe, Moulton, St. Peter's, St. Edmund's, St. Sepulchre's, Northampton, etc. Various methods were rung on the church bells during the afternoon; owing to the indisposition of the Rector, the Rev. W. L. Tudor, the usual service held at these meetings had to be dispensed with. Tea was served in the schools, ably prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Law, and the local ringers' wives.—The Rev. C. F. Upsdell, Moulton, an hon. member of the Association, presided at the meeting which followed. He said they had met to show their appreciation of their late secretary (Mr. Thomas Law), in the form of a nicely worded illuminated address, and a badge, on which was engraved: 'Presented to Thomas Law by the Northampton District C.N.B.A., 1920.'—Mr. Hopper and Mr. Clarke also spoke, and Mr. Law suitably acknowledged the gift.

### STOW AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of this association was held at Wallington on a recent Saturday, ringers attending from Fincham, Gaywood, Hilgay, Shouldham, Thetford, and the local company. The methods rung were Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Worcester, Hereford and Bob Minor. The ringers partook of tea, provided at the Rectory by the generosity of the Rector, who extended a hearty welcome to the association.

After tea, the business meeting was held, four new members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Shouldham on January 22nd.—Mr. O. Staines moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and Mrs. Sunderland for their kindness, and for the use of the bells.—This was seconded by Mr. Fitzjohn, and the Rector suitably responded. The tower was afterwards visited, and further ringing took place.

**LADIES' GUILD.**

A quarterly meeting of the Southern District was held at Yorktown on December 11th. Touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major were accomplished during the afternoon, and the service touch was conducted by Miss M. Nye, of Bagshot. The service was conducted by the Vicar of St. Michael's, Yorktown, who gave a very interesting and helpful address.

Tea was served in the Parish Hall, 25 members being present. At the business meeting which followed, the chair was taken by Miss B. Stillwell. Miss E. Bunch (Yateley) was elected a member, and it was decided to hold the next meetings at Farnham in March and Hersham in June.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for use of the bells and conducting the service, and also to Mr. Miles for his kind help. After the meeting ringing was resumed. Ringers were present from Aldershot, Bagshot, Binsted, Hawley, Wokingham, Yateley, and Mrs. and Mr. Melville braved the element and cycled from Guildford.

The quarterly meeting of the Western District was held on Saturday, Dec. 4th, at the Parish Church, Clifton. There were about 36 ringers present, including 20 members of the Guild, from Portishead, Paulton, Midsomer Norton, and Clapton-in-Gordano. At the service, the Vicar (the Rev. Canon Morrow) gave an interesting and helpful address, the prayers were read by the Rev. M. E. Thorold, of St. Philip and St. Jacob, and the lesson by the Rev. T. R. H. Elliott, of St. Michael's. After the service, tea was served in the Parish Room at the Vicarage, kindly lent by Canon and Mrs. Morrow.—The Rev. M. E. Thorold presided at the short business meeting which followed.—Three new members were elected, viz., Miss Doris Coombs, Miss Dorothy Willett, and Miss Alice Stokes, of Portishead.

It was decided that the next meeting should be at Portishead on the first or second Saturday in March.—It is hoped to arrange to hold a meeting for practice early in February—time and place to be announced later.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Canon Morrow, and to the organist for her services. A return visit was then paid to the belfry, and the bells kept going in various methods during the evening.

**BRAINTREE RINGER'S FAREWELL.**

On December 19th, for evensong, at Braintree Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob was rung as a farewell to Mr. E. F. Slade, who is leaving the town to take up his residence at Cleadon, Co. Durham: H. E. Hammond 1, W. Sadler 2, C. H. Howard (conductor) 3, G. Melbourne 4, G. Lindridge 5, W. H. Hammond 6, F. Ely 7, E. F. Slade 8. Mr. Slade has been a member of the St. Michael's Guild since its formation, and his departure is much regretted by the members and his many ringing friends in the district.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

The annual meeting of the Luton district took place on Saturday, November 20th, and, in spite of a foggy day, was well attended, members being present from Luton, Lidslade, Husbome, Crawley, Bleckley, Aspley Guise, Harpenden, and the local tower. Touches of Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major were rung.

A very interesting event took place in the tower during the afternoon, when two peal boards were unveiled by Mrs. Baker, wife of the Rector. One board records a half-muffled peal of Stedman Triples rung on August, 1915, conducted by the late Mr. H. Wakely, of Burton-on-Trent. It is pathetic to note, too, that this was the last peal the deceased ever took part in. The other board records a peal of Grandsire Triples, conducted by A. E. Sharman, the first peal ever rung by the local company.

The boards are handsome ones of oak, and were made by Mr. G. Eley (one of the local band). They keep company with one recording a peal of Bob Major rung by the College Youths in 1778, which was the first peal on the bells.

After tea the annual meeting of the branch took place, presided over by Canon W. W. C. Baker, supported by Alderman A. W. Webb, churchwarden. The officers were re-elected, with the addition of Mr. L. A. Goodenough, Luton, to the committee.—The usual vote of thanks were passed. Further ringing afterwards took place, and brought a very successful meeting to a close.

**MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.**

A successful meeting of the South and West District of the Middlesex Association was held at Heston. There was some capital ringing before and after tea, which was served in the Church Hall, and presided over by the Vicar, who also took the chair at the business meeting. Owing to the absence of the district secretary, the minutes of the last three district meetings were read by the Master, and confirmed, and thanks were accorded to the Vicar for presiding, and for the use of the church bells and hall.

**NOTICES.**

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**SALISBURY GUILD.**—Devizes Branch. — Annual meeting of above at Trowbridge on Saturday, Jan. 1st, 1921. Ringing commencing at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting.—Sydney G. Pepler, Hon. Branch Sec., Hilperton, Trowbridge.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—A meeting will be held at Hunslet on Saturday, Jan. 1st, 1921. Bells available from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Business meeting at 7 p.m. in the Parochial Hall.—Wm. Gage, Hon. Sec.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.** — The next meeting will be held at Chesterfield on New Year's Day. Ten bells from 3 o'clock. Tea will be arranged at Everett's Cafe.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.** (Established 1637).—The subscription of rs. 8d., which entitles members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings will be held at Southwark Cathedral on Jan. 4th, 1921; St. Magnus on the 6th and 20th; \*St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 11th, and \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 25th. \*Business meeting afterwards at headquarters. All at 7.30 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION** for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk.—A general meeting of the Norwich Branch of the Association will be held at Diss on Thursday, Jan. 6th, 1921. The rings of eight bells at Diss and Palgrave will be available for the use of members. Dinner will be served at the Crown Hotel at 1.30 p.m. (tickets 3/6 each), followed by the general business meeting. Those who intend to be present at the dinner must send notice to the Secretary not later than Sunday, Jan. 2nd.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—The annual meeting will be held at Fareham on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Bells available 2 p.m. Tea at 5.30 for members who acquaint me not later than Wednesday, Jan. 5th.—E. J. Harding, District Sec., 76, Carnarvon Road, Portsmouth.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Liverpool, on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Bells ready at 4, meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Bedford District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at St. Peter's, Bedford, on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Service at 4.15 p.m. Address by the Rev. Canon Knowall. Tea at St. Peter's Hall at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow. — H. L. Harlow, Dis. Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.** — Ipswich Branch.—The third general meeting will be held in the Church Room, Leiston, on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921, at 4 p.m. By kind permission of the Rector the bells of the Parish Church will be available throughout the day.—E. Evans, Hon. Branch Secretary, 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.



**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Preston on Jan. 8th, 1921. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at 6.30, to be followed by business meeting.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec., 98, Victoria Road, Walton-le-Dale.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Tipton on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Will all intending to be present kindly advise me not later than Wednesday, Jan. 5th? Gentlemen cordially invited. Will all members kindly note change of secretary?—E. W. Salter, 10, Station Road, Erdington.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next annual branch meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Bells available at 5 p.m. Meeting at 7. Business: Election of branch secretary, etc.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec., 103, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Seaford on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Tower open 2 p.m. and onward. Service at 4 p.m. Tea (by kind invitation) 4.30 p.m. Half railway fare (maximum 2s.). Will those who intend to be present to tea please notify the undersigned not later than Tuesday, Jan. 4th?—A. D. Stone, Div. Hon. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at All Saints', Hull, on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Bells available from noon at All Saints' (8), St. Mary's, Lowgate (6), and Holy Trinity (10). Service in church at 4 p.m., with an address by the Vicar (the Rev. A. E. Smallwood). The Revs. E. A. Earp, of Holy Trinity, and the Rev. Canon England, of Hessle, have promised to be at the meeting. Tea at 5 p.m. at 1s. per head. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. T. Whitfield, 2, Springfield Avenue, Middleton Street, Hull, not later than Tuesday, Jan. 4th, 1921?—W. Hinton, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

**BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting of the above will be held at Barnsley on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Ringing to commence at 3 p.m. All ringers specially invited.—A. Panther, Sec. (*pro tem.*).

**STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—The monthly meeting will be held at Tunstall on Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Tea will be provided at 1s. per head, and only for those who send in their names on or before Jan. 3rd to Mr. E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandycroft Hill, Longton, requesting that tea be provided for them. May we remind members that the annual subscription is now due for 1921?—J. Johnson, E. Steele, Hon. Secs.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The annual meeting will be held on Monday evening, Jan. 10th, 1921, at St. John the Divine's, South Albion Street, near Midland Station. Ringing from 7 till 9 p.m. Business meeting in the belfry. Annual subscriptions at revised rate become due at this meeting.—H. E. Norman, District Sec., 4, Berners Street, Leicester.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes on Monday, Jan. 10th, 1921. Tower open 6.30. Business meeting at the 'Edinburgh' at 8 p.m., to be followed by a special meeting to consider the alteration of Rule

12. Practices at 7.30 p.m. Bishopsgate Jan. 17th, St. Clement Danes Jan. 24th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM** (Established 1755).—Annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 11th, 1921, at St. Martin's Hotel, St. Martin's Lane, City, at 7.45 p.m. Ringing at St. Martin's from 6.30 to 7.30. All subscriptions are due at this meeting.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be at Ashby-de-la-Zouch on Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1921. Bells ready 2 o'clock. Committee, 3.45. Tea, 5 o'clock. General meeting to follow. Tea at 2s. 6d. per head will be arranged for by Mr. E. W. Beadsmoore, 1, Avenue Road, Ashby, for those who advise him by the 12th January, and will be at Radford's Cafe, Bath Street. Will all District Secretaries kindly forward to the Hon. Treasurer, the first week in January, their statements of accounts to 31st December?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1921. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at Willenhall on Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1921. Bells available at 3. Service in church at 5.15, with an address by the Vicar (Rev. T. H. P. Hyatt). Tea will be provided at 6 for those who send word not later than Jan. 11th.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. George's, Bolton, on Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1921. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—The war memorial to fallen ringers will be unveiled and dedicated in Chelmsford Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1921, at 3.30 p.m., by the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford, President of the Association. Tea, at 5 p.m., will be provided, 1s. 9d. each, at Hicks' Restaurant, High Street, to those only who notify Mr. P. Timson, 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford, not later than Saturday, Jan. 8th, 1921. Seats will be reserved for relatives of the fallen, and correspondents of each tower are requested to make this known to the families of all fallen members of their respective bands and invite them to be present. The cathedral bells will be rung half-muffled previous to the service. At 6 p.m. the muffles will be removed, and the bells will then be available for all ringers present.—C. H. Howard, Master, H. T. W. Fore, Hon. Sec., The Temples, Witham.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

A very successful meeting of the Manchester branch of the Lancashire Association was held at Manchester Town Hall. Most of the neighbouring towers were well represented, and there were visitors from Derbyshire and Staffordshire. Kent Treble Bob Major, Grandsire Caters and Stedman Caters were rung on the majestic peal of bells during the afternoon.

The business meeting was presided over by Mr. J. W. Washbrook, supported by Mr. W. Billinge (the tower keeper of the Town Hall). Mr. George Smith (Tunstall), Mr. J. Shaw (Hyde), Mr. W. H. Shuker (general secretary), and others.

The Cathedral was chosen as the next meeting-place, on Jan. 8th.—Mr. H. Chadderton, of Flixton, was elected a member of the association.

The General Secretary urged upon members to be prompt and regular in the payment of their subscriptions if the contribution to the association was to remain as heretofore.

A vote of thanks was accorded the authorities for the use of the bells, to Messrs. Billinge and Page for having things ready, and to Mr. Washbrook for presiding.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—At the Parish Church recently, for evening services, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1259 changes): F. W. Bond 1, H. C. Bond 2, W. G. Cook 3, H. Lewis 4, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 5, S. Hicks 6, S. M. Loxton 7, J. J. Jefferies 8, V. Williams 9, J. Hayward 10. Three courses of Grandsire Cinques: R. W. Watts 1, F. W. Bond 2, W. G. Cook 3, J. King 4, V. Williams 5, F. J. Lewis 6, J. C. Eden 7, F. Protherough 8, S. Hicks 9, H. I. Gardner 10, H. C. Bond (conductor) 11, J. Hayward 12. Also four courses, with J. Butler 6 and F. J. Lewis 8, remainder as before.—At Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, for morning services, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes): J. Butler 1, H. Lewis 2, W. G. Cook 3, F. J. Lewis 4, W. C. Cuss (conductor) 5, G. Dore 6, S. Hicks 7, J. Hayward 8. A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes): A. Parsons 1, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 2, W. G. Cook 3, H. C. Bond 4, S. Hicks 5, J. Hope 6, V. Williams 7, J. Hayward 8. A quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1260 changes), Thurstans: J. Butler, H. Lewis, F. J. Lewis (conductor), W. C. Cuss, S. Hicks, H. C. Bond, V. Williams, J. Hayward.

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